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Column One
BY
David Courtney

PEACE has drawn a step nearer. Mr. Churchill's statement to the House of Commons, foreshadowing a "Big-Power meeting at the highest levels," could not have been merely the expression of a hope. The British Prime Minister, through the Ambassador to Moscow, obviously has been testing the prospects. Although a meeting of the Big-Power heads of State has been favoured by Mr. Churchill for the past two years, he allowed his return to the proposal on Monday to be taken as part of his endorsement of the "bold and inspiring" initiative of President Eisenhower. Now that his Ambassador, Mr. Bohlen, is in Moscow, the President should also be in a position to test the probabilities and usefulness of a meeting at "the highest levels." It is not unreasonable to suppose that he has already done so; and that Mr. Churchill's statement to the House of Commons — the most forthright and promising since the Soviet began putting out its dramatic peace feelers — was made after consultation between London and Washington. The occasion is one superbly made for the British leader; and, if it should respond to the hopes and prayers of the wide world, superbly apt to this shortening phase of his long and splendid service.

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MUCH depends on Moscow's official reaction to President Eisenhower's speech of last Thursday. The President set what might prove broadly to be the main subjects of a Big Power agenda: — (i) quantitive limitation of the military and security forces of all nations; (ii) qualitative limitation; (iii) international control of atomic energy to promote its use for peaceful purpose and to ensure its prohibition as a weapon of war; (iv) the enforcement of all agreed limitations and prohibitions by adequate safeguards, including inspection under the United Nations. To be sure, these questions have been debated at different times, and to no good purpose, in U.N. But that fact alone may be all the more reason why they should be discussed by the heads of the Big Powers in conference.

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EVIDENCE suggests that the Western Powers will require still further token of Russia's good intentions before they themselves make any additional move. The day after President Eisenhower made his stirring appeal, Mr. John Foster Dulles, with less statesmanship than vigour, told a television audience that "unless Russia gives a very prompt response" — in deeds — to President Eisenhower's peace proposals, it will be necessary to move ahead on all fronts to build up defences." But Mr. Churchill said that he would not "expect the Soviet Government to give an immediate categorical reply to the many grave and true points which the President's remarkable declaration contained." Both London and Washington seem agreed upon the necessity for an armistice in Korea as a means of opening the door to "further priceless advances towards that general appeasement of the world situation from which a real and lasting peace might come."

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IT is clear that any sharp conflict at this time between Britain and the United States will be read by many people as evidence that the Soviet peace moves were intended for just that purpose. It is therefore of the greatest importance that Britain and the United States should co-ordinate their attitude and plans and concert their response to the Kremlin. For, even if the Soviet was thoroughly genuine in its desire for peace, strong differences of response between America and her European allies would plunge the whole question of peace back into a sea of suspicion and greatly strengthen the sword arm of those, on both sides, who see no solution short of war. For the moment, surely — as so often before —, Mr. Churchill has spoken the right words: "I trust nothing will be said here or elsewhere that will check or chill the process of goodwill that may be at work." The achievement of peace to end cold war is a much more delicate business than the achievement of peace to end a shooting war. Neither side can in this case dictate unconditional surrender to the other. Malenkov has not tried to. President Eisenhower and Mr. Churchill would not wish to. It is to be hoped that the others, for the moment at any rate, will rest their case.

Jerusalem, April 21.

US Ready to Aid Burma Oust Nationalist Force

UNITED NATIONS, Tuesday. — America today disclosed that it had progressed in efforts to obtain an agreed solution to the problem of Chinese Nationalist armed forces on Burmese territory. U.S. delegate Henry Cabot Lodge told the U.N. Political Committee that "with cooperation" tangible results would be forthcoming and that Burma was justified in trying to get rid of the Nationalist troops.

Earlier the Argentine introduced a resolution in the Committee calling on Nationalist China and Burma "and the other parties directly concerned" to enter into negotiations "with a view to putting an end to this serious situation and more especially to bringing about the immediate withdrawal of the said troops from the territory of the Union of Burma".

The Committee is discussing Burma's complaint calling on the U.N. to condemn the Chinese Nationalist Government's "acts of aggression" against Burma, and to view the situation as a threat to international peace and security.

Language Too Strong

Mr. Lodge said that the U.S. believes the strong language of the Burmese demand would be "likely to retard rather than promote the agreement needed. He said the U.S. is hard at work with a plan which would require the active support of the Nationalist Government to influence the 12,000 guerillas in Burma to surrender, subsequently to be disarmed and removed to Formosa through Thailand. He said Thailand had agreed.

The U.S. delegate said America would study the Argentine compromise resolution "with sympathetic interest."

After Mr. Lodge spoke, Mexico introduced a resolution backed by the Asian-Arab countries which is expected to win wide support. It refrains from condemning Nationalist China but does condemn the hostile acts of the Formosa troops in Burma. It calls on them to submit to disarmament and internment or to leave the country immediately.

In Taipeh, Formosa, today Nationalist Foreign Minister George Yeh said his government was prepared in cooperation with other interested governments "to use whatever influence it may have, should circumstances permit," in effecting a withdrawal of the Chinese troops from Burmese territory.

ISRAEL'S STAND

In the debate last night, Israel delegate Gideon Rafael, said that his Government believed that the Formosan Government had sufficient influence over the Chinese forces in Burma to make them submit to international law.

"Camouflaged aggression which seeks to conceal the true instigator is not less a crime under international law," he said.

"The expeditious liquidation" of the conflict in Burma would be an important contribution to the peace of the whole area. Burma's cause in wishing to rid itself of aggressive intruders is the cause of the U.N., Mr. Rafael said.

Persian Police Chief Feared Kidnapped

TEHERAN, Tuesday (Reuter). — Police and troops today made a house to house search of the city district where the Teheran police chief, Brigadier Afshartoos, disappeared last night.

Afshartoos suddenly decided to visit this particular area of the city last night after receiving a communication in a closed envelope. His driver drove him to the district, and the police chief got out of the car and walked away, leaving his pistol behind him contrary to his usual practice.

Since then nothing has been heard of him. His driver, now being interrogated, said the Brigadier asked him to return to the police station after dropping him.

Foreign Minister Hussein Fatemi said today he did not believe the Brigadier had been killed, but so far all efforts to trace him had been futile. The search for him began today after fears were expressed that he had been kidnapped when he did not return to his office.

Communist World Claims Big Boost in Industry

UNITED NATIONS, Tuesday (UP). — The Soviet Union told the U.N. today that its economy and those of its satellites expanded considerably in 1952 and said production and standards of living in the capitalistic countries dropped in the same period.

Soviet delegate A.A. Arutiunian painted a glowing picture of Communist economics in a speech before the U.N. Economic and Social Council debating the world economic situation. He told the council that the industrial output of Communist China had risen by 30% in 1951-1952, while the increase in Eastern Germany in 1952 was 16 to 18% over 1951.

He said the Asian republics of the Soviet Union have had a great development at a pace greater than that of the USSR itself.

Mr. Arutiunian said the economic prospects for the non-Communist countries were bad because of rearmament and charged the U.S. with raising its import tariffs to open the way for greater American investments abroad.

Communist Delegates Refused Exit Visas

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Mr. Pinhas Tubin, Left Faction representative in the Tel Aviv Municipal Council and in the Histadrut, and Mr. Yusuf Abdu, of the Israel Communist Party, head of the Cooperative Department of the Arab Trade Union Congress, were declined exit permits yesterday. They had been invited to the all-China conference of the Federation of Trade Unions.

The invitations were received through the World Federation of Trade Unions, from which the Histadrut broke away.

No invitations were sent to Mapam, despite the fact that that party had previously owed allegiance to the World Federation of Trade Unions and had sent two delegates. Mr. M. Oren and Mr. H. Rubin to a meeting of the Federation's Council in Berlin in 1951.

New Pakistan Premier Offers Hand to India

NEW DELHI, Tuesday (UP).—Mohammed Ali, newly-appointed Prime Minister of Pakistan, today sent the following message to Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru of India:

"It would be my Government's earnest endeavour to promote friendly relations between our two countries."

Mr. Nehru replied: "My Government and I believe that relations between India and Pakistan should be friendly and cooperative, and that we should solve our problems in that spirit. We shall continue to address ourselves to that end.

Vietminh Forces Overrun Third Of Laos State

HANOI, Tuesday (Reuter). — Communist-led Vietminh forces are today on the edge of the wide plain of Jarres in the Indo-Chinese State of Laos after overrunning one-third of the state's 200,000 sq.kms. in 10 days.

Latest reports indicate that the Communists are building a force of 20,000 in the wooded mountains around the plateau. The French High Command, which has retreated so far without a fight, hopes the Vietminh will march onto the plain to face the biggest battle of the seven years of war. The only French fear is the Vietminh may avoid the plain and surround it instead, leaving a French airfield and strongly manned positions beleaguered.

If the Vietminh adopt these tactics there is little to stop them marching onto the Thai border.

French Quit Town

The French news agency reported in Paris today that the French had abandoned Zieng Khuang, a town on the edge of the plain. Its garrison withdrew to the plain after civilians had left the town on Saturday without waiting for orders from the authorities.

The agency also reported that 200 French troops from the abandoned garrison town of Sam Neua, 160 kms. to the north, had reached French positions near the plain after a six-day march through some of the worst jungle country in Indo-China. Some of the men were in a "pretty bad state of exhaustion."

Depot Blown Up

Vietminh forces today blew up a munitions depot accommodating jet aircraft. Five groups of Vietminh soldiers attacked the Vietnamese local guards in the little village of Kienan, about six miles south-east of the Tonkin Gulf port city of Haiphong. They used dynamite charges to blow up munitions storage places.

They were reported to have taken scores of Vietnamese prisoners, possibly 200, before fleeing from Kienan. A late report said 30 French soldiers were killed during the Vietminh attack and subsequent explosions. Bursting shells and munitions of various types continued to rock Haiphong for hours early today.

New Dismissals In Soviet Republics

POST Political Correspondent

Following last week's dismissals at top Party level in Georgia, a reshuffle was reported last night in the Azerbaidjan Soviet Socialist Republic and the Yakut Autonomous S.S.R.

Mr. T.I. Kuliev, Chairman of the Azerbaidjan Council of Ministers has been replaced, after holding this position for eight years, by Mr. M.D. Bagirov, Party boss in the southern Caucasus and a member of the All-Union Presidium of the Party who is known for his sharp attacks against Pan-Islamism in 1951.

The Chairman of the Yakutian Council of Ministers has also been dismissed, according to the domestic provincial service of Moscow Radio.

U.S. Oil Firms Face Anti-Trust Suit

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (UP). — The Department of Justice today filed a civil anti-Trust suit charging five major oil companies with conspiring to participate in an international oil cartel.

The suit, filed in the Federal District Court here, is intended as a substitute for a Grand Jury investigation of possible criminal charges involved in international agreements of the American oil industry.

The defendants are Standard Oil of New Jersey, the Socony Vaccuum Oil Company Inc., the Texas Company, Standard Oil of California and the Gulf Oil Corporation.

They are charged with conspiring among themselves and with other companies to monopolize foreign trade, restrain inter-State commerce control of foreign production, maintain agreed domestic and world prices, regulate oil imports and "divide world producing and marketing territories."

U.S. Communists Defy Order To Register

NEW YORK, Tuesday (Reuter). — The American Communist Party's National Committee here has decided to defy a Government board's order to register with the Attorney General and disclose members' names and financial details.

A statement issued over the signature of Mr. William Foster, National Chairman of the Party, and two national committeemen, says: "The Communist Party rejects with contempt the allegation that its members are foreign agents."

De Ridder Refuses Special MAC Meeting on J'lem Double Murder

General Bennett L. de Ridder, U.N. Chairman of the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission yesterday refused to comply with an Israel request to call an emergency meeting of the commission to discuss the murder of Zvi Genauer and his niece, Devora, in Jerusalem on Monday, the Army spokesman announced last night. This decision was taken despite the fact that the tracks of the three marauders responsible for the murder were discovered by a U.N. observer and an Israel officer leading to the border in the vicinity of the Jordan village of Bet Iksa, the spokesman said.

The General claimed that it was not the duty of the Mixed Armistice Commission to deal with incidents "of this type."

Itim reports that the Jerusalem police are expected to ask U.N. permission to continue the search for the murderers over the border. Police investigation of the house where the slaying occurred revealed the theft of a radio and a type-writer; rings and watches had been torn from the victims.

Scholars of all the Jerusalem *yeshivot* followed the funeral of Zvi Genauer to the Givat Shaul cemetery yesterday noon. Mr. Genauer, a student of the Talmud, had studied at a *yeshiva* in Lakewood, New Jersey, before coming to Israel. He was eulogized by Rabbi C. Levenstein, who for five months had been his teacher at the Mir Yeshiva. Among the 500 mourners were Mr. M. Shapiro, the Minister for Social Welfare; the Mayor of Jerusalem, Mr. Y. Kariv; City Councillors and a representative of the U.S. Consulate General.

Mrs. Genauer, wife of the deceased, returned from Haifa at midnight on Tuesday.

Devora Genauer had studied at Washington University.

The Mayor of Jerusalem, Mr. Y. Kariv, announced at last night's Municipality meeting that he would shortly confer with the Prime Minister on the security situation in the capital. Council members rose in silence before the session opened, in an expression of sympathy with the bereaved.

MAC Airs Murder Of Israel Guards

The Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission continued its emergency session yesterday under the chairmanship of General Bennett L. de Ridder to discuss the Israel complaint concerning the murder of two Israel guards at Mevuot Betar last Friday, the Army spokesman announced last night.

The Jordan delegation attempted to mislead the Commission by claiming that the Israelis entered Jordan territory and attacked the village of Wadi Fukin. The Army spokesman said that these allegations were exposed by the Israel delegation, who produced evidence that one of the guards was killed by the Jordanians several hours after he had been wounded and kidnapped by them. General de Ridder requested additional time to study the reports on the matter which had been handed to him and the continuation of the meeting has been set for today.

The Arab News Agency claims that two new complaints have been filed by the Jordan delegation. One concerns an alleged new attack by Israel soldiers in Wadi Fukin on Sunday afternoon. The second, which, according to the Old City paper "A-Diffa," was filed on Monday, alleges an attack by 12 Israel soldiers on Idna village in the Bet Govrin area. The Arab report claimed that the unit was supported by a force of 120 soldiers which covered its retreat. In the ensuing exchange of fire lasting for four-and-a-half hours, two Jordan villagers were killed and two National Guards wounded, one of them seriously. A number of casualties inflicted on the attackers, the report alleged, adding that 13 Israel planes circled over the area.

ANA, reporting from Beirut, stated yesterday that the Lebanese delegation to the MAC had lodged a complaint concerning an alleged incident which occurred on Monday when Israel soldiers entered a Lebanese village, kidnapped two villagers and took them across the border. This action, the report said, was undertaken on the pretence that the villagers had walked near the armistice lines.

'Bloodiest Week' Along Borders

POST Special Correspondent

"The past seven days have been the bloodiest week along the frontiers for a long time," informed sources in Jerusalem told The POST yesterday.

The last two Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission meetings dealing with the murder of two Israel guards at Mevuot Betar were, these sources said, most dramatic in view of the enormity of the crime which was described by the Israel chief delegate as "cold-blooded murder."

It was learned that the Israel delegation produced evidence, based on medical examination, proving that the second Israeli guard was done to death at least eight hours after he was shot and lightly wounded by the Jordanians.

While the Jordanians claimed that they had found the dead bodies inside Jordan territory, the U.N. observers found the blood stains well within Israel territory at the spot where, according to those who escaped from the attack, the murdered guards were first hit.

It appears that Jordanians dragged both wounded men over to their territory, where one of them died shortly after being hit. The other guard had been first wounded only slightly, sufficient however to have made him lose consciousness. His body revealed that a second wound had proved fatal, and that he had died within half an hour after sustaining it.

Marauders Active In South, Emek, J'lem

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Two armed marauders last night attacked Yaacov Nudelah who, together with another man, was cutting grass for animals in a field near a southern town and loading it on a cart driven by two horses. One of the marauders fired a shot from a sten gun, missed, and then his gun jammed. The assaulted men took this opportunity to escape. Police later found the horses abandoned some distance away. Tracks led over the border.

In an Emek settlement over IL.300 worth of household goods was stolen from three flats while their owners were absent on Independence Day. The thieves are believed to be marauders. Another gang of marauders made off with working implements and compressor wheels valued at hundreds of pounds from a quarry in the Jerusalem area. In both cases tracks led across the border.

Beirut Parliament In Uproar Over Gov't Illegality

The Lebanese Parliament broke up in an uproar last night with normally pro-Government members supporting the Opposition's protests against the Government's issuing decrees without constitutional powers, NEABS reports.

The mandate of the three-man caretaker Government of Khaled Shihab expired last week and Parliament has refused to renew it.

In spite of its lack of legal authority, the Cabinet has issued legislation for large-scale administrative and foreign service reshuffles. Last night Parliament unanimously refused to ratify this legislation, which has already led to the resignation of many senior civil servants including diplomatic staff.

Observers in Beirut said that last night's events had finally settled the fate of the Cabinet which is now expected to resign as soon as President Chamoun returns from Cairo.

CHAMOUN IN CAIRO

CAIRO, Tuesday (Reuter). — President Camille Chamoun of the Lebanon arrived here today on a six-day State visit to Egypt.

President Chamoun recently visited Syria and Iraq and was believed to be trying to make personal contact with heads of the Arab states to unify their attitude to the coming visit of U.S. Secretary of State John Foster Dulles. He was also reported anxious to eliminate any possible divergence of view among the Arab leaders on the Anglo - Egyptian negotiations over the Suez Canal.

GEN. ROBERTSON HAS FIRST TALK WITH NAGIB

CAIRO, Tuesday (Reuter). — General Sir Brian Robertson, retiring British Commander of Middle East land forces today met Prime Minister Nagib for the first time.

The two will meet again next week when Gen. Robertson will be one of the British delegates to Anglo-Egyptian talks on the Suez Canal Zone beginning on Monday.

Just before this visit Gen. Robertson spent 35 minutes with Foreign Minister, Mahmoud Fawzi. Well informed sources close to Fawzi said Robertson was told during their meeting the names of Egyptian officers who would take part in the coming talks.

U.S. Ambassador to Egypt Jefferson Caffery will fly to Izmir, Turkey, tomorrow for a few days' holiday. Mr. Caffery will stop in Cyprus on his way back to Cairo.

TURKISH-SYRIAN TENSION MOUNTS

The Turkish Premier and Foreign Ministers have cancelled their much-advertised visit to Syria and other Arab capitals next month as tension mounts between Ankara and Damascus, NEABS reports.

Reuter announced last night that the Syrian Minister to Turkey, Najib al Armanazi, had been dismissed. No reason was given in the Damascus release.

Current tension is due to Syria's claim, recently renewed, to Alexandretta. Turkish President Celal Bayar declared this week that the port was and would remain Turkish.

Arab statesmen had been relying on the anticipated visit of the Turkish leaders to improve relations which have been gravely deteriorating since Turkey's recognition of Israel.

Britons in N. Korea 'Starved, Frozen'

BERLIN, Tuesday (UP).—Seven Britons who returned to the West today said their imprisonment in North Korea was a fight against cold, starvation, disease and Communist indoctrination.

"They fed us on canary seeds and corn until they learned we were going to be repatriated. Then nothing was too good for us," Mr. Vyvyan Holt, British Consul-General in Seoul, said here in the first interview beyond the Iron Curtain.

The Britons said they saw their fellow-prisoners die of malnutrition and disease.

They arrived at West Berlin's Gatow airfield from Moscow in an R.A.F. plane and will fly on to London tomorrow. Russia obtained their release from North Korean prison camps where they were held since the beginning of the Korean war.

CZECH ENVOY ATTENDS ISRAEL RECEPTION

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (INA). — Czechoslovakia was the only people's Democracy represented at the Israel Embassy's Independence Day diplomatic reception here last night though all had been invited. Karol Brus represented the Czechoslovak Ambassador.

NATO Ministers May Discuss Big 4 Talks

PARIS, Tuesday (Reuter). — The prospects of a Big Four Ministerial meeting this year to try to remove at least some of the differences that now divide the world is expected in informed circles here to loom high in the political discussions at this week's conference of the NATO Council.

USSR Seen Preparing For Talks on Germany

BERLIN, Tuesday (Reuter). — Allied officials in Berlin viewed Moscow's announcement today that Mr. Pavel Yudin had been appointed political advisor to the Soviet Control Commission in Germany as a prelude to eventual four-power talks on Germany.

(The Soviet Government announced today that one of its leading Marxist theoreticians, Mr. P. F. Yudin, had been appointed Political Adviser to the Soviet Control Commission in Germany.)

Mr. Yudin's predecessor, Mr. V.S. Semenov, was regarded by Allied officials as a man who wielded great political influence in East Germany. He spoke good German and English and showed no reluctance to mingle freely with Western diplomats. For this reason he stood out from his more reserved colleagues as a man presumably in the fullest confidence of Moscow.

Mr. Semenov was also generally credited with using a moderating influence on those East German Communists who wanted to speed up the sovietization of East Germany.

Semenov's recall may mean that in preparing their offer to the West the political planners in Moscow want to have at hand a diplomat of outstanding ability who knows both sides of the problem in Berlin and Germany.

Portugal Steers Clear Of Europe Federation

BONN, Tuesday (Reuter) — Portuguese Foreign Minister Paolo Cunha said in an interview published here today that Portugal cannot take part in any scheme for European integration and does not consider European federation a practical possibility in this generaton.

The interview was published today in the semi-official "Diplomatische Korrespondenz."

Foreign Minister Cunha said, "We are cooperating with all goodwill to help the coordination of the Western nations but we hold back in matters concerning integration or fusion in the form of supra-national organizations."

EBAN SIGNS WHEAT ACCORD FOR ISRAEL

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (INA). —Ambassador Abba Eban today signed the international wheat agreement on behalf of Israel. The recently-concluded agreement gave Israel an increased allocation of wheat for 1953/4.

It is also felt that the little countries of the 14-nation alliance will doubtless stake their claim to be closely consulted on the tactics that Britain, France and the U.S. will adopt in whatever peace talks they may have with the Russians.

The 14 permanent representatives of the governments here have already agreed that the peace gestures that have emanated from Moscow so far indicate only a change of tactics rather than a change of heart by the Malenkov regime. But the final assessment will be made by the Foreign Ministers themselves, probably on Friday.

After years of cold war manoeuvres by the Russians they will approach the new signs with the greatest reserve, but they are not likely to dismiss altogether the possibility that the new Russian leaders may genuinely be seeking co-existence.

West Not to Cut Defence Plans

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (Reuter). — Secretary of State John Foster Dulles said today that the present security planning of Western nations could not be modified because of recent Soviet moves.

Mr. Dulles said this as he left for Paris to attend the forthcoming meeting of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, accompanied by the Secretary of the Treasury, George Humphrey, and Mr. Harold Stassen, the Mutual Security Director.

Mr. Dulles said, "Our principal immediate objective will be to reach agreement on broad NATO defence programmes for 1953. I believe such an agreement will provide for a substantial increase in NATO's defence strength."

To Air Ike's Proposals

Mr. Dulles said the NATO planners would also want to examine the current world situation, especially in the light of the proposals of President Eisenhower in his major foreign policy speech of April 16.

He added that the recent statements and action by the Soviet Government would be discussed at the Paris meeting, but that nothing that has happened so far justifies any relaxation of effort or any weakening of NATO defences. "Instead," he stressed, "there is good reason to believe that the growing strength of the free world may influence the Soviet Union decisively in the direction of peace.

Mr. Dulles believed the meeting of the NATO Ministers would be "very important." He said, "There are a number of matters which we will wish to discuss with Allied Governments, and there are several important decisions to be taken."

Korea PoW Swap Working Smoothly

PANMUNJOM, Tuesday. — The sound of laughter in "Freedom Village" today drowned the distant murmur of gunfire from the Korean battlefront as 100 more released U.N. sick and wounded prisoners arrived from Communist camps. The exchange machinery worked smoothly.

Today's U.N. batch of 100 comprised 50 South Koreans, 35 Americans, 12 Britons and three Turks. The UN returned 450-500 North Koreans and 50 Chinese.

British repatriates told U.N. officials awaiting them that many of them did not know that King George VI was dead and Queen Elizabeth was to be crowned in June.

Both yesterday and today returning Communist prisoners refused to eat their final breakfasts on the train carrying them from Pusan to Munsan. They also ripped up new uniforms given them by the U.N.

Train guards prevented the Communists from tossing notes from the train windows threatening South Korean peasants that the Communist Army would return.

(Reuter, UP)

NEW DEPUTY MINISTER TAKES UP DUTIES

Mr. Z. Susayeff took up his duties as Deputy Minister of Commerce and Industry yesterday.

Chinese Urge Big 5 Peace Meeting

TOKYO, Tuesday (UP). —Communist China today called for a "peace conference" among the five great powers. A Peking Radio broadcast monitored here proposed a peace meeting among 55 May Day slogans announced for this year. The slogans were selected by the People's Political Consultative Conference — China's equivalent of parliament. They included:

"To oppose evil plans to expand armaments for imperialistic aggression and prepare a new war, and demand conclusion of a peace treaty among the five great powers — U.S., Russia, China, England and France.

"To defend the statement of China, Korea and Russia concerning the Korean truce talks, and to fight for a truce in Korea and settlement of Korean problems.

"To oppose the U.S. imperialist blockade and embargo, and advance economic and trade relations in amity and cooperation among the world's people.

"To oppose U.S. imperialist aggression in Formosa.

"To oppose the inhuman U.S. imperialistic germ warfare, to fight to prohibit germ weapons, atomic weapons and other mass murder weapons for the sake of mankind.

"The people must unite and improve to strengthen their anti-American, aid-Korea struggle, strengthen national defense, defend the security of the state and defend the peace of the Far East and the world."

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Social & Personal

President Ben-Zvi has received Independence Day greetings from King Paul of Greece and from the Presidents of Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Czechoslovakia, the Dominican Republic, France, Guatemala, India, Paraguay, the Philippine Republic, San Salvador, Switzerland, Turkey, and Yugoslavia. Greetings were also received at the Foreign Minister's Office from the Foreign Ministers of Belgium, Brazil, the Dominican Republic, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Paraguay, San Salvador, and Thailand.

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Mayor A. Krinitzi, of Ramat Gan, held an Independence Day garden party at his home yesterday for the Chief of Staff, Rav-Aluf Mordecai Makleff, and members of the General Staff.

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Mr. J. Cenat, Attache at the Rumanian Legation in Israel, accompanied by his wife, arrived by Swissair yesterday to take up his duties. Also aboard the plane was Mr. R. Hirgui, of the Legation staff.

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Mr. Edward Sieff, Treasurer of Marks & Spencer, London, and leader of the Joint Palestine Appeal in Britain, is in the country, accompanied by Mrs. Sieff. Their headquarters are at the Sharon Hotel, Herzlia.

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Mr. A. Becker, Head of the Histadrut Trades Union Department, left by K.L.M. yesterday for Greece to represent Israel at the Trades Union Conference opening in Athens tomorrow. From Greece, he will go on to Britain, and later to Geneva to attend the annual meeting of the I.L.O. in Switzerland at the end of May. Two Government representatives and a representative of the Manufacturers' Association will join him later in Geneva.

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Mr. Cedric Raphael, of the Shell Company's Public Relations Department, has arrived here for a week's visit.

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Mr. Jon Kimche, editor of the London 'Jewish Observer and Middle East Review,' and Mrs. Kimche, arrived by El Al on Monday night for a short visit.

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District Court Judge S. Kaszn, President of B'nai B'rith in Israel, left by T.W.A. yesterday to represent the Israel Lodges at the B'nai B'rith Convention, which is to take place in Washington at the end of this month.

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Mr. A. Shlisselman, Vice President of the Jewish Community Council in France, returned home by K.L.M. yesterday after a two-week visit here as a guest of the Foundation Fund.

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Mr. Charles Passman, Director of Malben in Israel, returned by El Al on Monday night from a short visit to the U.S.

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Mr. L. Ralston, U.S. Vice-Consul in Israel, left by Swissair yesterday for a short visit to Turkey.

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Mr. Paul Kletzki, the conductor, left by K.L.M. yesterday after conducting the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra in two subscription series. He is to appear in Holland, Italy and Britain, and is scheduled to return to Israel to conduct the I.P.O. next year.

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Professor A.L. Goodhart, Master of University College, Oxford, returned to Britain by T.W.A. yesterday, after a two-week visit at the invitation of the Hebrew University.

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Mr. Charles Krown, of Los Angeles, California, one of his community's most active participants in Jewish National Fund activities, and Mrs. Krown, were guests of the Fund's Head Office in Jerusalem last week. They are visiting the country under the auspices of the J.N.F.

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The Rotary Club of Tel Aviv-Jaffa will hold its Annual (Business) Meeting tomorrow.

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The Tel Aviv Municipality's Annual Ezold Prize for Social Medicine and Hygiene will be distributed at a ceremony at the Municipal Council Hall at 5 o'clock tomorrow evening.

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BIRTH

KALLAI — To Yona (nee Yellin), wife of Zecharia Kallai (Kleinmann), Jerusalem, on April 20, 1953, — a son.

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BIRTH AND BRITH MILAH

WODAK — To Suzanne and Ernest Wodak, on April 16, — a son. The Brith Milah will take place on noon on Friday, April 24, at the Assuta Hospital, Tel Aviv. This is the only intimation.

New Pattern Proposed For Israel Farming

POST Economic Correspondent

Mr. Hoofien, who is beginning to make a habit of startling public opinion by the criticism in his infrequent speeches, took advantage of the annual meeting of the National Bank to state his views on the future development of agriculture in this country. Much of the material on which his views are based has in the meantime appeared in a booklet by Mr. Gershon Kaddar, the Bank's agricultural adviser. It contains criticism of our agricultural planning which is by no means new and has already been voiced both in discussions and in the press. This is the first time, however, that a booklet bases criticisms and new proposals on ample figures and succeeds in analysing past activities as well as formulating new plans.

Agriculture Under Mandate

Mr Kaddar states what has often been overlooked, namely, that the task of Jewish agriculture under the Mandate was different from its present one. Then the community was not dependent on the produce of Jewish settlements for basic foods but could fall back on Arab food grown in Palestine and the surrounding countries and on imports which were not restricted by shortage of foreign currency. The Jewish farmer had to make the most of small plots and therefore turned to those branches of agriculture which relied on material produced by the Arabs and demanded a high outlay of capital per dunam and per settlement unit.

When the State was established and the Arabs left, the Jews had to provide much more of their basic food and had at their disposal much more land than before. Both these factors should have brought about reconsideration of our agricultural policy, but the old pattern of farming was taken over and simply reproduced on a larger scale. Only with the shortage of money to finance this sort of land settlement and the lack of foreign currency for imports did it become evident that the need to feed the population and to farm all the land would necessitate a new approach.

Investments and Results

According to Mr. Kaddar's figures we have at our disposal today 3.1 million dunams in comparison with 700,000 dunams before the establishment of the State. During the last few years we have created 15,000 new agricultural units and have put under cultivation all the land which could be worked by mechanized equipment. There are in addition, some one and a quarter million dunams of natural pasture which have only been partly exploited so far. During this time we invested approximately IL.100m. (mostly valued at the old, cheap rate) and doubled the area under irrigation. The results of these investments are the production of 25 to 30 per cent of our food (according to nutritional value). We must also take into account that our agricultural output eats up a sizable sum of foreign imports. According to Mr. Kaddar we imported foodstuffs to the value of $86m. in 1952 and spent $38.3m. on means of production in agriculture (including amortization of machinery and interest on foreign loans). Our expenditure on food in foreign currency therefore amounted to $104.3m. last year.

Some 55 per cent of the food we eat is vegetarian but our agricultural production is geared mainly to turn out products such as milk, eggs, chicken; or as Mr. Kaddar defines it, we eat like the poor and produce like the rich. This is obviously the result of the farming tradition as it developed before 1948 when we could rely on Arab raw materials, had little land and were interested in high class products. Chicken and carp need concentrated food while sheep and to some extent cows can be grazed outdoors. This is the main reason for Mr. Hoofien's statement that we should become used to eating mutton together with the rest of the Orient. The figures underlying the learned statements of the experts drive home the fact, well-known to every housewife, that fowl is more expensive than mutton the world over. And everyone who looks at the stubble covering our hills realizes that it could be used as pasture for sheep as indeed it was during the Mandate, when the Arabs grazed flocks numbering hundreds of thousands.

Mr. Hoofien in his speech promised us not only mutton chops but stated that this sort of agricultural revolution would probably leave us with fewer eggs. Mr. Kaddar admits that these changes would create severe difficulties for some 4,000 farm-units of the 42,000 which today make up our agricultural population. It should be added that we can hardly afford to do without eggs as long as mutton is not provided as a substitute. In other words, both consumer and producer must be taken into account when the practical implementation of this sort of agricultural revolution is discussed. That changes are necessary and inevitable is undeniable. They must not however be confined to the use of pasture land but extended to the introduction of new crops and new systems of irrigation.

(This is the first of two articles on Agriculture Today).

REVIEW OF YESTERDAY'S PRESS

Government Urged to Lodge Case At U.N. Against Arab Outrages

Aggressive speeches and actions by Arabs during recent days were the main issue of editorial comment in yesterday's local papers.

"Haboker" (General Zionists) urges the Government to take energetic steps at the highest level of U.N. against these outrages, which endanger not only the security of Israel, but the peace of the Middle East. The paper severely criticizes U.N.'s "men on the spot," and more particularly General B. de Ridder (Chairman of the Israel-Jordan M.A.C.) whose attitude towards aggression from Jordan territory is, according to the paper, unpleasantly reminiscent of the mandatory period. "Haboker" ascribes the increased tension in part to Arab disappointment at Israel's economic recovery in spite of their boycott. The paper accuses the British-run Near East Broadcasting Station of adding fuel to the fire by blaming Israel for interfering with the Anglo-Egyptian Suez negotiations.

"Hatzofe" (Hapoel Hamizrahi) stresses the significance of the Independence Day parades as an impressive demonstration of Israel's military strength, which could in case of need provide a powerful answer to any provocative challenge. The paper sees in recent incidents a well-timed attempt to impress the U.S. Secretary of State due in the Middle East early next month. The paper also expresses serious misgivings about the attitude of the U.N. Truce Supervision Organization.

Arabs Encouraged

"Hamodia" (Agudat Israel) sees in the failure of the Arab states to form a united front in their relations with the Western imperialist powers, one of the main reasons for their demonstration of aggressive unity against Israel. Recent statements by President Eisenhower and other U.S. officials about a "new attitude" towards Middle East problems are also encouraging Arab attempts to influence American policy which is still in the making.

"Herut" says that there is a "glaring diversity between the military force of Israel's army, as was convincingly shown at the Independence Day parades and the weak reaction of the Government leadership to Arab provocation. Israel should no longer take part in the "shameful" meetings of the Mixed Armistice Commissions, but marching orders should be given to the army.

A columnist in "Herut" sees lack of proportion in the editorial published earlier this week by "Davar" (Histadrut) condemning the assault against Jascha Heifetz. "Herut" feels that the article was too long in comparison with other editorials published in the same paper.

"Davar" regrets that the peaceful atmosphere which prevailed at the end of the session of the U.N. General Assembly, was disturbed by renewed anti-Zionist attack by the Czechoslovak representative as well as by the spiteful reaction of the Soviet delegate to Mr. A. Eban's remarks which, according to the paper, were necessitated by the venomous Arab attacks. The Soviet delegate's anger reveals that the Russian change of policy was brought about largely by the impact of international public opinion, the paper concludes.

Civil Service Bill

"Ha'aretz" (Independent) asks the Government to bring before the Knesset without further delay the Civil Service Bill, which was tabled 12 months ago, but has been shelved because of certain disagreements about important details. These questions should be dealt with at the committee stage, the paper points out, and recommends that the important amendments recently suggested by the Secretary to the Government, Mr. Z. Sharef, should be taken into account as he, although the chief author of the original bill, was courageous and flexible enough to change his mind in some important regards in the light of last year's experience.

(According to Mr. Sharef's proposals, the Civil Service Commission would in some respects become independent of the administration and be responsible directly to the Knesset.)

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) urges the protection of local industry against foreign competition and supports a Mapam-sponsored petition, at present circulating in Haifa against competitive imports which, according to the paper, increase unemployment and cost foreign currency, that should be used for the import of raw materials for local industry. "Hakol" (Agudat Israel) urges economic deeds rather than speeches by the Government.

"Kol Ha'am" (Communist) publishes, in place of an editorial, a joint appeal by the Israel Communist Party and Dr. Sneh's Left Faction, to stage May demonstrations in spite of the decisions taken by the local Histadrut committees.

HIGH SCORES IN ISRAEL CUP GAMES

The Second Round matches of the Israel Cup competition last Saturday brought some high scoring. Jaffa witnessed a ding dong battle between the local Maccabi and Hadera Hapoel. The home team pulled out narrow winners by 4-3, after being 1-2 behind at halftime. Jerusalem Maccabi slammed home an easy win on their own pitch, when they defeated Rishon LeZion Maccabi 5-1, after leading 2-1 halfway. Jerusalem Hapoel featured in an even inter-Hapoel game at Kfar Saba, where they drew four-all with Ra'anana Hapoel, who had lead 3-2 at the interval.

Bnei Yehuda at Tel Aviv squeezed through to a 2-1 home win over Ramat Gan Maccabi, after an even one-all change-over score, while Even Yehuda Hapoel also gained a 2-1 home victory over Haifa Degrel Yehuda, after leading 1-0 at halftime. In the Haifa area, Athlit Sports Club downed Herzlia Hapoel Nahum, 2-1 and the Christian Brotherhood beat Haifa Hapoel Dror, 3-0, both victors having lead by 1-0 at the interval.

In the Israel Football Association League "A" games, Tel Aviv Maccabi, the reigning champions and current leaders, slammed in four goals without reply, through Glazer, Goldstein, Mir.movitch and Studginski, to best Natanya Maccabi 4-0 on their own ground. Petah Tikva Hapoel, next in line in the League positions, gained a creditable away win at Haifa beating their local clubmates, 2-1, after a goal-less first half. Meanwhile Petah Tikva Maccabi also smashed home a 4-0 home victory over Ramat Gan Hapoel, scoring three goals in the second half.

After five games of the new season, the leading positions are: Tel Aviv Maccabi, 10 points (no losses); Petah Tikva Hapoel, 9 pts; Petah Tikva Maccabi, six pts.; Haifa Hapoel, five pts; and Tel Aviv Hapoel, five pts.

Other results: League C: Kadima Hap. 1; Ramat Hakovesh Hap. 1; Affula Hap. 2, Haifa Betar 1; Natanya Betar 0, Bet Lidd Hap. 0. Friendly: Benyamina Macc. yth. 4 Hadera Macc. yth. 4 (3-3).

(Results given Sunday)

At the Cinema

"CAMINO de Sacramento" (Edison, J'lem) is of some interest as one of the first Mexican films to be shown in Jerusalem. If, however, Mexican film production is at all influenced by that country's marvellous contemporary art, this film does not show it. "Camino de Sacramento" is a noble bandit story of the "Zorro" type, equally outdated in script, acting and production. The only redeeming features are some arias and peasant choirs, that do not sound too polished, but more genuine than Hollywood's southern musicians. In general, the Mexican local colour of "Viva Villa" and "Viva Zapata" is far more convincing.

TA. F.M.

Woman in White

"THE Girl in White", at the Esther, Tel Aviv, shows how difficult it was to be a woman doctor (a pretty one of course) in a New York hospital at the turn of the century, as exemplified in the person of Dr. Emily Dunning who — so we are told — was a real pioneer.

The film largely consists of minute descriptions of hospital life — with all the light touches with which the M-G-M boys know how to make absolutely plotless stories tolerable; particularly as they are effectively helped by the ever refreshingly natural June Allyson.

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Romanzo D'Amore

"ROMANZO D'Amore" (Armon, Haifa), an Italian film dubbed in English, takes as its theme, the 50-year-old scandal of the Crown Princess of Saxony who eloped with the composer Toselli, who was thus inspired to write his "Serenade."

"Romanzo d'Amore" sets out to demonstrate two points: that the world is not well lost for love and that royalty, however sincere, can never, by reason of its upbringing, fully understand a commoner's way of life. A slow film which might have been improved with a little Wildean dialogue in the society sequences, it quickened its pace towards the end with the inevitability of tragedy dogging the lovers.

Daniella Darrieux as the Princess is at her best in the mental home scene. Rossano Brazzi who plays the hero looks the matinee idol.

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JERUSALEM CINEMAS

5.30, 7 & 9 p.m.

ARNON: Loves, Deeds.
EDEN: Gone with the Wind.
EDISON: Camino de Sacramento.
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Hapoel Light Athletics Youth League

The first meeting of the new Hapoel Youth Light Athletic League was staged at Nahariya last Saturday and was marred by an initial lack of organization, when participants who had travelled long distances to reach the venue had to mark out the arena before events could start.

Masaryk Institute and Kiryat Haim sides moved on to the semi-finals with 78 and 75 points respectively. The best performances in each section were: among the lads, Masaryk Institute's Avner Carmeli, who gained two wins, the shot-put with 14.75 m. and the long jump with 5.96 m; and Kiryat Haim's Micha Lev-Ran, among the girls, with a 4.88 m. win in the long jump.

SHIPS IN HAIFA PORT ON TUESDAY

Nakhshon, Is., loading cement; T. Prince, U.K., loading citrus; Massapia, It., disembarking passengers; Jerusalem, Is., disembarking passengers; Tel Aviv, Is., unloading general cargo; Pace, It., waiting; Salta, Argentine, waiting; Hadar, Is., waiting for citrus; Malacca, Danish, unloading copra; Akko, Is., finished unloading; Bluefield, Norway, unloading paper and general cargo; Kinnereth, Is., finished loading; Etrog, Is., waiting for fruit; Artza, Is., waiting; V. Jukoll, Iceland, loading cars; B. Fortune, U.K., unloading barrels; M. Maersk, Danish, waiting for fruit; Bastholm, Danish, waiting for fruit; Genc, Turkish, finished unloading; Vesteland, Swedish, unloading general cargo.

SHIPS WHICH SAILED IN PAST 48 HOURS:

Nirit, Is.; Siam, Danish; E. Jevoli, It.; S. Michele, It.

SHIPS EXPECTED

Rio Quinto, barley; the following ships will bring general cargo: Strabo; Fortunate; Hyperion; Gumia; Kucciolo; Angelo Garre; Expeditor; Exilona.

Notices to the Public

NOTICE REGARDING RENEWAL OF ANNUAL PORT ENTRY PASSES TO HAIFA PORT

Persons wishing to renew their annual Port Entry Passes to the Port of Haifa for the year 1953/54 should submit their application to the Port of Haifa Authority immediately on publication of this Notice and not later than a fortnight thereof.

Application forms for the renewal of such passes are obtainable during ordinary working hours at the Port Offices, Permit Section, and at the Information Office in front of the main entrance to the port.

Special arrangements have been made for the renewal of entry passes by companies and institutions holding a large number of passes, and institutions should proceed in accordance with the special instructions that have been mailed to them directly.

PORT OF HAIFA AUTHORITY

REGISTRATION OF PUPILS FOR THE SURVEYING HIGH SCHOOL OF THE SURVEYING DEPT., MINISTRY OF LABOUR.

Registration of Pupils for the 1953/4 School Year has started at the Surveying High School of the Surveying Dept., Ministry of Labour.

The Surveying High School prepares pupils for receiving a Qualified Surveyor Licence.

Candidates who have graduated from Secondary Schools will be accepted.

Length of curriculum: two years.

The 1953/4 school year begins on October 18, 1953.

The school is situated at Tel-Arish, Holon.

Registration takes place at the Surveying Dept., Rehov Yehuda Halevy, cr. Rehov Sheinkin (P.O.B. 2730, Tel Aviv).

STOCK MARKET

TEL AVIV

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1949/69 (IL.10)	101½	—
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4% Debs 48/63	83	—
6% pref. sh.	88½	—
Hisur Debs.		
4% 46/58	91	—
4½% 52/68 reg.	93	—
Nir Ltd.		
4% Debs. 39/59	93	—½
5% Pref. sh.	91	—½
Pass Debs.		
4% 42/62	79½	—
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6% Pref. Ord. sh.	90½	—
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Ser. 1	88‡	—
Ser. 2	97‡	—1
Ser. 3	69‡	—

Notes: a) purchasing price; b) selling price. c) ex coupons; d) ex rights.

Arab-Israel Conflict In Dutch House

By Henriette Boas, POST Correspondent

AMSTERDAM (Air Mail).—Objections to Holland's taking care of Israel's interests in Moscow have been voiced in the Second Chamber by Prof. W. Schermerhorn, a Labour member.

In the debate on the foreign affairs budget Prof. Schermerhorn, who headed the first post-war Cabinet in 1945-46, dealt extensively with the Middle East, where the Netherlands may have had a great economic future. Since the Arab and Moslem countries are violently opposed to Israel, he said, Holland must follow a careful policy towards Israel. It was not clear to him why Holland of all states had agreed to represent Israel, and had not left this to a country like Switzerland.

Mr. J.M. Luns, Joint Minister for Foreign Affairs, replied that the Netherlands' delegation to the U.N. had not participated prominently in the debate on the Arab-Israel conflict. In agreeing to Israel's request that Holland represent it in Moscow, Mr. Luns continued, Holland had only acted in accordance with international usage which regards the rejection of such a request as an unfriendly gesture. It did not mean that Holland was particularly pro-Israel or anti-Arab.

20,000 Moved From Tents to Huts

Stage one of the Jewish Agency's plan for permanent immigrant housing approaches completion with the transfer of 20,000 more people from tents to huts during the last three months, an Agency spokesman told *The POST* in Jerusalem. Stage two of the plan, which has been running concurrently with the first part, will move families from canvas and aluminium huts to permanent dwellings, either one-room concrete houses or wooden huts.

At the end of January, 7,500 immigrants lived in 1,950 tents, mostly in the coastal plain—Bet Lid, Roah Ha'ayin, Sakia, Bat Yam. By the end of March, 2,000 people had left 450 tents —often unwillingly — and become residents of compounds not far from the old camp sites.

The Jewish Agency hopes to close down 20 *ma'barot*—including the communal camp at Mahane Yisrael—by the end of 1953, compared with the 10 which were closed last year. Some 5,000 housing units are now being allocated to immigrants due to receive them under the 1953 quota: last year, 10,000 units — wooden and concrete — were made available to families in canvas and aluminium huts.

December figures record that 16,016 canvas, 7,429 aluminium, and 17,483 wooden huts existed, compared with only 4,634 concrete units. The high price of constructing a concrete bungalow (which costs IL.2,130 to the immigrant with down-payment of IL.750) has favoured setting up wooden Swedish or Finnish prefabricated houses, at half the price.

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Where to go

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8.30-12.30: American Library and Reading Room—U.S. Consulate Mamillah Rd. Entrance Free.
9-1; 2-5: Bezalel Museum. Exhibit: Illustrated Haggada.
9-4: Archaeological Exhibition, Dept. of Antiquities, 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech.
10-1: Sanhedria Tombs.
11.30-12.30: Film Show at Kerem Hayesod.
10-1; 4-6: Jerusalem Artists Spring Exhibition. Artists House.
10-12; 3-6: Exhibition of Paintings. Y.M.C.A.

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TEL AVIV

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10-1; 4-7; 3. Wexler's Exhibition of Paintings. Art Pavilion, 9 Rehov Alharizi.
7 & 9.30 p.m.: Li-La-Lo. "Spring in Tel Aviv." Jascha Heifetz Hall.
8.30 p.m. Museum: S. Bakman (Geneva), Frank Pelleg. Works for Violin and Piano.
8.30 p.m. promptly. International Documentary films. Sponsored by Anglo-Saxon Branch of Club room of South African Zionist Federation, 109 Rehov Hayarkon.

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HAIFA

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10-1; 4-7: Paintings and Sculptures, Haifa Artists. Artists Home, 23 UNO Ave. (opp. Carmelia Court).
10-1; 4-6 Jewish Antiquities. Hellenistic, Roman, Byzantine, Arabic Art. Municipal Museum, Tzvetk Hall.
8 p.m. — Handel's Watermusic; Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 1; Mozart's Haffner Symphony—L.P. records — Ferster House, Rehov Pevsner.

Bevan Critical of Ike's 'Phraseology'

LONDON, Tuesday (Reuter). — Aneurin Bevan, leading left-wing member of the Labour Party, said on Sunday night that Pres. Eisenhower's response to some of the Moscow overtures "has been badly phrased, to say the least of it."

He added: "If we want conciliation we don't demand everything and give nothing. You are not going to get peace in the world if you insist on the Soviet Union accepting a whole range of humiliating conditions and give nothing at all."

Commenting on Mr. Churchill's speech on Friday supporting the President's proposals, Mr. Bevan said, "We don't expect the British Prime Minister to be nothing but an echo of the American President. We believe, to get a peace in Korea, the Austrian peace treaty signed and free elections in Western Germany are as far as you get at a first step. If you can go that distance it will be very much easier to traverse the rest of the distance afterwards."

ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 467 M.; HAIFA: 249 M.; TEL AVIV: 49.8, 30.5 & 205 M.

NEWS: Hebrew: 7, 7.30 a.m. 1.30 6.15, 8.30 & 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 8 a.m., 2.15 & 6.30 p.m.

8.30 a.m. Service. 8.35 Exercises. 8.45 Musical Clock (R). 9.15 Melodies (R). 9.30 Oriental Music: E. Aharon. 9.45 Close Down.

10.30 a.m. Music While You Work (R). 11.00 Requests (R). 11.40 Housewives' Corner. 12.00 Programme for Hospitals (R). 12.30 Concert Hall: Piano Concerto (Shostakovitz); Symphony No. 4 (Dvorak). 1.45 Programme Announcements. 1.48 Break for Music. 2.00 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Variety (R). 4.30 Tea Time Music (R). 5.00 Vocal Recital: Hannah Brand. 5.45 Children's Hour. 7.00 Variety (R). 7.07 Announcements. 7.10 Agricultural Corner. 7.20 Cantoral Request Programme (R). 7.50 "What is New in Science". 8.00 Records Just Arrived 8.34 Bible Reading. 8.45 "Justice Brandeis" Talk by G. Agron 9.00 "Twenty Questions" 9.30 Classical Request Programme Concerto No. 1 (Brahms): Missa in B minor (Bruckner).

SECOND PROGRAMME

468, 285, 196 & 41.9 M.

English News: 1.45 p.m. 10.15 p.m. French: 2.00 p.m.

4 p.m. "Opera" (R). 5.00 Programme for Yemenites. 5.30 Music (R). 5.55 Talk. 6.15 Close Down.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (32.3 M.): 11.15 p.m. Newsreel. 11.30 "Here & There". 11.45 Musical Greetings.

ARMY PROGRAMME: (44.6, 216, 285 & 239 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Viola Recital: Rafael 8.01. 7.00 Requests. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.35 This Week's Composer: Dvorak. 8.30 News. 8.45 Tomorrow's "Bamahaneh". 8.50 Folk Dances. 9.00 Twenty Questions. 9.30 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS: (34.92 & 31.32 M.): 7.30-8 p.m. News, News Talk: Listener's Forum.

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Monday, May 11 — Series 6
HAIFA: "Armon" Theatre at 9 p.m.
Wednesday, May 13 — Series 1
Thursday, May 14 — Series 2
JERUSALEM: "Edison" Theatre at 9 p.m.
Thursday, May 7.

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Notice to Citrus Growers

The Citrus Marketing Board hereby gives notice that in exercise of the powers vested in it, the Board will, upon the completion of the present export season, carry out inspection in groves, packing houses, stores and cold storage plants, in order to verify whether citrus growers have actually delivered in full their respective Valencia oranges' crops, in accordance with the provisions of Citrus Marketing Scheme 1952/53, which Scheme forbids marketing of citrus fruit save under the authority of the Board.

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Citrus Marketing Board

April 20, 1953.

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TO LET furnished 1-room flat with kitchenette, second floor, near Mograbi. Guarantee required. Muenz, Elenberg & Co., 34 Rehov Yavne, Tel Aviv. Tel. 62514.
RAMAT GAN: To let, furnished half room with board (kasher), for gentleman. Huisman, 12 Rehov Margoa.
HOUSE in Tiv'on—3 rooms with conveniences, all furnished (refrigerator, radio, sewing machine, etc.), to let for approximately 1 year. Apply: Kobler, 35 Rehov Alonim, Tiv'on.

SITUATIONS VACANT
Porcelain Painters required by Blumenthal House Potaishick, Marhavia, Tel. 61079, Jerusalem.
WANTED: Experienced English teacher, Hebrew Secondary School, Rehovot. Written applications to: Headmaster, P.O.B. 104, Rehovot.

SITUATIONS WANTED
ENGLISH-born young woman, fond of children, interested take care children. Live-in. Excellent references. No. 20288, P.O.B. 81, Jerusalem.
QUALIFIED baby-nurse willing take care of baby or small child, on hourly or full time basis, in own home. Write: No. 19063, P.O.B. 81, Jerusalem.
FIRST-CLASS accountant with wide experience accepts part-time work, best references. Apply: P.O.B. 4287, Tel Aviv.
EXCAVATOR-operator seeks employment. Writes CL. 22926, P.O.B. 1126, Tel Aviv.
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TELEPHONIST (female) long experience. Also English/French typist, fair Hebrew, seeks position. CL. 22930, P.O.B. 1126, Tel Aviv.
FIRST-CLASS English secretary, English mother-tongue, expert shorthand typist experienced and efficient, fair knowledge Hebrew, highest references, requires suitable position. Hours prefered: 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please write: No. 20147, c/o Barth's, 15 Rehov Frishman, Tel Aviv.
CAPABLE businessman, wide experience, good ideas, manager, salesman, knows English/Hebrew/French/Yiddish, seeks suitable position or partnership. Offers to: CL. 22923, P.O.B. 1126, Tel Aviv.
TECHNICAL store-keeper seeks suitable position. Write: CL. 22928, P.O.B. 1126, Tel Aviv.

MISCELLANEOUS
Your WATCHMAKER in Jerusalem for prompt repairs and precision Moshe Agronsky, Rehov Hakehilla, near Jerusalem Hotel.
NEED CASH? Lombard "Tifcrot" (Pawnbroker) lends on jewellery and articles of value. 31 Rothschild Blvd., corner Allenby Rd., Room 6, Tel. 6977, Tel Aviv.

Today's Post Bag

THE WEATHER

	*A	B	C	D
Mt. Gilboa	31	6	17	19
Tiberias	35	15	—	20
Haifa	23	11	23	22
Natanya	29	11	21	22
Hadera	28	9	23	24
Tel Aviv Port	27	11	19	21
Lydda	31	8	24	26
Jerusalem	31	10	22	24
Beersheba	32	9	27	27
Sdot	27	16	23	25

FORECAST: Variable amount of high and medium clouds with a further rise in temperature.

*A) Humidity at 3 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday. D) Maximum temp. expected today.

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A 100-YEAR-OLD woman Mrs. T. Yiten, was among a group of 24 new immigrants from Bahrein who arrived by special B.O.A.C. plane yesterday. The group was sent from the airport to the Sha'ar Ha'aliya camp, near Haifa.

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A TOTAL of 206 immigrants arrived in Haifa in three ships yesterday. They included 43 Youth Aliyah children from North Africa, 39 newcomers from Bulgaria, 19 from South America, 19 infiltrators from the Argentine, and five immigrants from Eastern Germany who had fled to the West.

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ONE-DAY detention orders were issued by a Jerusalem Magistrate yesterday against Yahrow and Shmuel Friedman, on suspicion of having smuggled 1,500 packets of cards into the country as well as some lengths of cloth. The goods were allegedly included in parcels containing prayer books.

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RABBI JOSEPH TUSSIK, of Jerusalem, who was detained on suspicion of sending a threatening letter to Mr. Y. Sahar, Inspector General of Police, was released on IL.1,000 bail by Jerusalem Magistrate I. Weiner. Police said his release would not hinder their investigation.

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MAPAI AND the Histadrut in Beersheba will hold excursions and celebrations on May Day, while Mapam, the Communists and the Left Faction will march in a parade.

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AN INTERIM injunction restricting Naphtali Brender, a British tourist, from leaving Israel was issued by Judge Y. Lamm of the Tel Aviv District Court yesterday on an application request to forbid his departure submitted by the Palestine British Bank, Tel Aviv, who claim that Brender owes them a sum which he borrowed in 1946.

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YITZHAK FEIGMAN, 38, of Jaffa, was sentenced to one year's imprisonment by the Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court yesterday for dishonestly taking money from a Yad Eliahu store owner in May 1952. The prosecutor stated that the accused had been tried for similar offences previously.

48540 Wins IL.25,000

Number 48540, Series V, won the IL.25,000 first prize in the drawing of the Popular Loan which took place yesterday in Jerusalem. Series I of the same number won IL.8,000; Series II, IL.5,000; and Series III and IV won IL.2,000 each.

Other winners were: IL.1,000, No. 09451, all series; IL.500, Nos. 11122, 14356, all series; IL.250, Nos. 19607, 82187, 86897, 18194, 41512, 28401, all series.

The following numbers won IL.50 each (all series):

28940	28179	01474	02227	40960	28934
43708	84292	02869	00837	01315	40393
84850	18864	26721	51635	45049	33588
48150	00822	29841	15023	27639	38497
13741	30974	32700	07397	25796	03073
25749	51150	20832	47854	46888	32883
48158	18864	49627	42348	09532	32318
00311	37697	38594	09798	25890	37414
27829	49868	49279	04410	51407	02185
14078	32504	40893	01388	08480	11476
49417	49437	13286	84474	04612	09779
09110	12386	29837	09743	97272	09825
13697	21858	34145	11989	49091	21735
44384	07215	10518	37141	49798	19425
30629	32582	11589	28188	93873	20605
24218	02438	03949	29409	32355	50778
36582	49812	49294	29439	00915	49988
43958	15428	37477	11653	41940	44940
30130	44589	07200	10478	29683	12287
04858	49567	34621	14451	32184	12081
39164	37044	32439	44810	48188	18279
28824	11369	23583	37413		

No Meat For Month

For at least one month, consumers will be without meat rations, as the ship scheduled to bring the meat for the next distribution has not yet left the Argentine, it was learned in Jerusalem yesterday.

A Ministry of Commerce and Industry spokesman confirmed yesterday that the ship is due to leave the Argentine on April 25, and is expected in Israel on or about May 20. If it arrives on time, the Ministry will distribute two meat rations in May, he added.

In April there were two meat rations: one of 100 grams during Pesah week, and one of 150 grams for Independence Day.

Segal to Stand Trial for Murder

POST Legal Correspondent

Baruch Segal, 21, was committed to trial in the District Court yesterday by Mr. M. Even-Tov, a Jerusalem Magistrate. The accused is charged with the premeditated murder of his fiancée, Masal Levy, in Meker Haim on February 26.

At yesterday's session, Dr. S. Kelley, Government medical jurist, testified that Segal was normal.

Segal had fled from Jerusalem after the crime and given himself up to the police in Beersheba. He is said to have given the officer in charge of the station a 15-page letter, outlining the background of the crime and the immediate reasons which prompted him to commit the murder.

Mr. E. Hedaya, the District Attorney, is prosecuting. Dr. R. Weyl is appearing for the Defence.

London Credit For Shimshon Company

Jerusalem POST Bureau

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The Shimshon cement works at Hartuv near Jerusalem, have received a credit from the Industrial Facilities Corp., Ltd., of London to enable them to settle their outstanding account with Solel Boneh for the construction work at the Hartuv Plant, the company announced today. The credit was certified by the Export Credit Guarantee Department of the British Board of Trade.

The company announced that Shimshon and Solel Boneh reached an agreement under which the contractors undertake to complete the work and bring the plant into the production stage by the end of this year.

Except for the power house at Hartuv which is supplying electricity to Jerusalem, all work at Hartuv is to stop for two weeks, after the workers are paid all wages and leave allowances due to them, in order to allow Shimshon to proceed with reorganisation plans. The temporary work stoppage has been called in cooperation with the Jerusalem Labour Council, the company stated tonight.

The London credit was negotiated by Mr. Serge Karlinski, Director of Shimshon, and Chairman and Managing Director of the Industrial Facilities Corp., who are extending the credit.

Israel Land Survey Nearly Done

By Victor Segev

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — The three year task of the Ministry of Agriculture to determine the agricultural potential of this country is nearing completion and information is already available on the properties of every dunam of two-thirds of the area, Mr. N. Gil, Head of the Soil Conservation Department of the Ministry, told The POST today.

The Land Survey, conducted by only a few countries in the world — those to whom every bit of land counts — was the first ever attempted in Israel or Palestine. When completed, within the next few months, it would tell with scientific precision what could be grown, where and how.

At present, a very rough division of the country indicates that Israel has about four million dunams for agriculture, three million dunams for afforestation and two million dunams for grazing. The remainder, 11.5 million dunams south of Beersheba, does not now concern the Survey as it is considered non-agricultural land.

The crops that can be grown are listed in files for each section of land, which describe the texture of the soil, its stoniness, effective depth, slope, drainage, salinity, permeability and the prevailing rains and winds which affect it.

The files were compiled under the direction of Mr. Zvi Rosenassat, and also contain, on the basis of years of field work, recommendations on how to treat a particular piece of land, whether to clear it of stones, drain it, fertilise it, how to rotate its crops or set up anti-fire precautions nearby.

Mr. Rosenassat explained that the information was gained by aerial photographs covering the whole country, then by division into types of soil, and finally, mechanical and chemical examinations on the spot.

Mr. Gil remarked that innumerable mistakes had hitherto been made in land utilisation, such as building houses or factories on the best agricultural soil or growing cheap crops where more lucrative ones could be raised. He added that even now new settlements were established without consultations with his department.

1,100 MORE JOBLESS

The number of jobless rose by 1,100 to a total of 19,000 in the week ending April 10, the Ministry of Labour announced yesterday. Women accounted for 2,088 of the unemployed.

The jobless were distributed as follows: Haifa, 2,874; Jerusalem, 1,939; Tel Aviv-Jaffa, 1,800; Petah Tikva, 1,037; Ramat Gan, 975; Rishon leZion, 736; Hadera, 679; Rehovot, 481; Ramle, 409; Afula, 408; Holon, 408; Acre, 400; Lydda, 398; Bnei Brak, 389; Natanya, 476; and Tiberias, 366.

Fined IL. 1,500 For Illegal Money Deal

Jerusalem POST Bureau

HAIFA, Tuesday. — Pleading guilty to five charges of paying money to a person not living in the country in order to receive money abroad, Eliahu Kimmelmann of Haifa was fined IL.1,500 by Judge B. Zohar in the District Court here today. The $80,896 obtained by the deal were used to purchase electric refrigerators mainly for Solel Boneh employees, many of whom have already been fined for their illegal purchases. Mr. Kimmermann had paid IL.64,928 in order to receive over $80,000 from a New York solicitor between February 1950 and March 1951.

The accused denied two additional charges of buying 90 electric "Kastenbaum" refrigerators from the Sharab Company. The Prosecutor withdrew the charges after a doctor had testified that Mr. Kimmelmann suffered from a heart ailment and is unfit to go to prison.

The trial was heard in the Judges' Chamber and not in the Court room because of the accused's poor health, and he was allowed to leave the Chamber before sentence was passed.

The Prosecutor said that the offences seriously undermined the State economy.

'Reparations Will Help End Paper Shortage'

Jerusalem POST Reporter

Reparations and trade-agreements will virtually end paper shortages, Mr. M. Tzur of the Ministry of Finance stated at yesterday's session of the Hebrew Book Committee in Jerusalem. In 1952, more than $5m. worth of paper came into Israel, including amounts bought through non-payment imports, and the recent slump in the book-trade has meant that the demand was almost satisfied. For the current financial year, $1,325,000 have been budgeted for paper, and the serious lack of spare-parts in printing presses will be combatted by a larger budget than was given last year, Mr. Tzur promised, provided funds were available.

Dr. M. Avidor, Deputy Director General of the Education Ministry, reported on the work of a special Book Committee which allocates paper according to the size of the publishing house and type of literature. He refuted suggestions that the Ministry exerted censorship, and that pornographic books were, in the main, printed on paper from unofficial sources. Text-books and technical publications accounted for half the allocations, while the remaining paper was shared as follows: fiction, 27%; books for export 8%; Government and public bodies, 7.5%; and religious and miscellaneous literature, 10.5%.

Complaints by representatives of the publishers and printers on the paper-tax (paid to the Equalization Fund) were partially answered by Mr. M. Zohar of the Ministry of Commerce, who hinted at advantageous changes soon to be announced.

Mr. M. Neumann, publisher, countered accusations by printers and booksellers at earlier sessions that the publishers were responsible for raising the price of Hebrew books to an impossible degree. He cited a dozen of his own publications which he said compared favourably in price with similar books from abroad. Israel booksellers, he thought, were entitled to get 30% profits; American bookshops earned 40% but gave better service.

"Circulation of the Hebrew books must begin with the school," said Mr. L. Levy, of the Histadrut Library Department, disclosing that many schools in ma'abarot had not one book beyond the minimal texts required. Most of the 180 libraries in immigrant centres begun by the Ministry of Education in cooperation with his Department had disappeared through neglect. The Histadrut managed 90% of the 700 libraries in Israel, whose books were mostly supplied by the Kibbutz movement publishing houses. He asked the Government to extend its budget to include literature other than schoolbooks.

SHARP INCREASE IN PETTY THEFTS IN T.A.

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Police reported tonight a sharp increase in house and shop breakings in the last few days, most of which resulted in small-scale thefts.

The flat of A. Hochenberg in Rehov Smuts here was broken into during the last two days while its owners were away for the holiday and two carpets, bedding and jewellery reportedly worth IL.7,000 were stolen.

Over 1,000 metres of cloth valued at IL.1,000 were stolen when thieves removed some bricks from the wall of Israel Schulz's factory in Rehov Jabotinsky in Ramat Gan on Monday night.

At Sde Warburg near Kfar Saba, thieves entered Meir Shreibin's house through an open window during his absence yesterday and stole IL.1,200 in cash.

HUNGER STRIKE

REHOVOTH, Tuesday.—Twenty-three supporters of Dr. Moshe Sneh's Left Faction who are threatened with expulsion from the Hashomer Hatsair collective settlement, Carmia, near the Gaza strip border, began a hunger strike today.

RATION NEWS

JERUSALEM — Frozen meat for invalids (medical cards dated Apr. 19): 500 grams. Sausage for labourers: 200 grams on each of coupons 17 and 22.

NORTHERN DISTRICT — Meat: 500 gr. on Aleph cards. Flour: 1 kg., 363; temp. 22. Margarine: 500 gr., Bet 9, 19; temp. 600 gr., 1-4, 8, 8. Yellow cheese (March): 200 gr., no coupon; temp. 15.

TEL AVIV — Butter for invalids: 100 gr., for Het Aleph 1, Het Bet 4 (re-issue) 18 cards. Eggs for invalids: 4, Het Aleph 1; 3, Het Bet 4; 3, Het Gimel 10. Coffee and tea: 120 gr. coffee or 100 gr. tea, or 60 gr. coffee and 50 gr. tea.

HAIFA & SAMARIA — Butter: 100 gr., Dalet and Heh cards, Tet 14.

German Barred From Court of Law

HAIFA, Tuesday. — The Municipal Judge here today refused to allow a defendant to testify in German, adjourned his trial and ordered the accused to pay IL.10 for an interpreter.

Mr. Leo Roth, owner of a fancy-goods shop in Rehov Herzl, was charged with unlicensed building and failing to comply with an order to stop construction. The accused said that although he had been in the country for 10 years, he had not yet managed to learn Hebrew, and asked permission to testify in German. The Judge refused his request and warned Mr. Roth that he would be tried in absentia if he failed to pay for an interpreter.

Agency Executive to Meet In J'lem in June

The full Jewish Agency Executive is to meet in Jerusalem at the end of June, the Agency announced yesterday. After the Chairman, Mr. B. Locker, had informed the members of the opinions of the members of the Executive in the U.S., it was decided to suggest to the Presidium of the Zionist General Council that the next session of the Council be held in November and December.

The establishment of a special school for emissaries (shlihim) was suggested by Mr. Y. Sprinzak, Knesset Speaker, at a meeting of the Executive in Jerusalem yesterday. Earlier, Mr. Sprinzak reported on his recent trip to Western Europe. He spoke of the serious position of the Zionist Movement there, of educational and cultural deficiencies, of the problem of political parties in the Diaspora and of the possibilities of immigration from Western Europe. The Zionist Organization, he declared, must be transformed. To do this, it must change both its form and its content.

At the end of the session Mr. Locker took leave from the members of the Executive. He is going to Australia to open the United Israel Campaign.

Amidar to Control 70,000 Flats

Jerusalem POST Reporter

More than 70,000 flats to house about a quarter of a million people will be under the control of the Amidar Housing Company by the end of July, when it will have begun the management of the flats of the Housing Department of the Ministry of Finance, the pre-fabricated housing estates of the Jewish Agency, and the dwellings under the control of the Custodian of Abandoned Property.

This information is contained in Amidar's report for January-February, which was submitted by the company's new Director-General, Mr. E. Peri. It is the first report since Amidar's reorganization, following the sharp censure of the company's administration which appeared in the State Controller's Third Annual Report that was published in February.

Complying with recommendations in the Report, Amidar has transferred to the Ministry of Finance the shares it held in various housing companies. The 1,250 shares of the Jewish National Fund have also been transferred to the Treasury.

The IL.5m. share capital of Amidar is now held by the Ministry of Finance (75%) and the Jewish Agency (25%) and the Company's Board of Directors is headed by the Minister of Labour, whose deputy on the Board is Dr. G. Josephthal, of the Jewish Agency Executive. Nine Board Members represent the Government and three the Jewish Agency.

Mr. Hartman, who was Amidar's Director-General during the period when it was censured by the Controller, is a member of the Board of Directors and is now in the U.S., on Amidar business.

In accordance with the decision to transfer management of the various housing systems, the 20,000 units of the Finance Ministry have already been transferred to Amidar. Another 20,000 units, belonging to the pre-fabricated housing schemes of the Jewish Agency, will be transferred in May, and 15,000 units from the Custodian of Abandoned Property (not including houses in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv or Haifa) in June or July. Thus, together with the 14,000 units already built by Amidar, and others under construction, Amidar will be managing over 70,000.

The company's own building programme, according to the report, involves about 1,200 to 1,800 housing units, including flats in the Popular Housing plan, housing for immigrants (including those from Western countries), 250 student housing units in Jerusalem, and 100 students' housing units in Haifa.

Landowners March In Protest Against Loan

HAIFA, Tuesday. — About 150 householders, bearing slogans and lighted torches, marched from the Gan Binyamin here to a protest rally in Bet Maccabi in Rehov Herzl, where their national chairman, Mr. Saadia Shoshani, spoke against the compulsory loan. He said that they were unable to pay the loan because rents had remained static since 1940. Cabinet Ministers had promised not to raise taxes as long as the Rent Restriction Act was not amended, but had not kept their word, he said.

Preliminary Hearing In War Crime Trial

Jerusalem POST Bureau

HAIFA, Tuesday. — The preliminary hearing of a charge of manslaughter of 15 Jews in a German forced labour camp in Russia during the war, opened here today in the Magistrate's Court against Meir Weiss, 42, of Nahariya. The charges were filed following complaints to the police by persons who had allegedly been under the accused's supervision in the camp in Novo Mir, in the Ukraine.

Weiss is charged under the 1950 law prescribing punishment for Nazis and their helpers.

ORT to Establish Foremen's School

LYDDA AIRPORT, Tuesday (ITIM). — An institute for training industrial foremen and a school for industrial employees are to be set up in Tel Aviv by ORT, the organization for rehabilitation through training, Dr. A. Syngalowski, President of the ORT World Executive, said here today upon arrival by El Al. He will stay in Israel for three weeks to inspect local ORT training workshops and for consultations, before going on to visit the organization's training schools in Teheran.

Dr. Syngalowski said that the foremen's training institute would accept men with at least five years experience, for a year's course. The industrial employees' courses would be of four-months duration. Equipment for the two schools is now on its way here.

ANAESTHETIC. — The discovery of Trifluoro(bivinyl) ether, a non-irritating anaesthetic, was announced yesterday by John Krantz, professor of pharmacology at the University of Maryland.

Wild Push At Army Tattoo

Jerusalem POST Bureau

TEL AVIV, Tuesday. — Viewed from the position of medical personnel of the local Magen David Adom, whose ambulances and first aid tent were outside the Ramat Gan stadium last night, the military show was an enormous wild push. They were called upon to deal with five persons who sustained broken limbs in the scuffles entailed in getting through the gates of the Stadium, and gave first aid to 38 persons who fainted.

In addition there were several persons with lesser injuries and three soldiers who were hospitalised to the Army.

S'dom Workers Demand Extra Holiday Pay

BEERSHEBA, Tuesday — Over 200 workers of the Dead Sea Potash Works demonstrated in S'dom yesterday when the management refused to pay them for the Independence Day holiday. The pickets marched six kilometres with placards explaining their alleged grievance.

OLYMPICS. — The International Olympics Committee has again shelved for a year requests for membership from the Chinese People's Republic and East Germany "because of lack of information" concerning their sports arrangements.

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Wiley Urges Israel, Arab Union with West

WASHINGTON, Tuesday (Reuter). — Senator Alexander Wiley, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, yesterday urged that Israel and the Arab states should be joined with Western nations in a Middle East defence alliance.

Speaking at Israel Independence Day Bond rally, he reaffirmed American friendship with Israel and called for an enduring friendship with the Moslem lands."

Senator Wiley said, "The war antagonists, Israel and the Arab states, must be joined to the West by a defence alliance. We do not know how much actually remains to us in the Middle East. Communist moves in the Far East are a grim indication that time there is fast running out."

Predicting actions of Congress, the Senator said,

1. The policy of the U.S. Congress should and must be that there must be no change in our traditional friendship towards Israel.

2. The present economic blockade which is choking the Middle East must and should end if there is to be prosperity and peace in the Middle East.

3. "The critical problem of the refugees huddled in their pitiful state must be solved.

The Soviet Union's resumption of diplomatic relations with Israel, Senator Wiley said, might provide one test of the validity of recent Soviet peace gestures. The Soviet Government could demonstrate its good faith by freeing many of 2,500,000 Jews behind the Iron Curtain who desire to emigrate to Israel.

"Unfortunately," he said, "The violent attacks by Soviet delegates in the U.N. against what they ridiculously call "Zionist espionage" are an ominous sign on the horizon."

The Senator also said that other nations should follow the example set by Israel to improve the overall climate for investment, making it more favourable for the entry of private capital.

Johnston Backs U.S. Investment in Mid East

NEW YORK, Tuesday (USIS). — Mr. Eric Johnston, Chairman of the U.S. International Development Advisory Board, believes opportunities for American capital investment in the Middle East are unlimited. Mr. Johnston said that the mineral resources of the Middle East "have scarcely been touched, except for oil" and much agricultural land awaits development. He arrived here Saturday after completing a three-week tour of the Middle East. He will report on his trip to President Eisenhower within the next few days. Mr. Johnston added that the countries concerned should create favourable conditions for investors.

Israel Remembers Her Friends

Mgr. Giuseppe Palatucci, Bishop of Campagna, Italy, and his brother, Father Alfonso, have arrived in Israel to attend the ceremony of the naming of a Ramat Gan street after their nephew, Giovanni Palatucci, who was killed by the Nazis for his activities in saving the lives of hundreds of Jews in his native town of Trieste. Giovanni used to hand the refugees on to the Bishop, who hid them. The street naming ceremony will take place tomorrow.

M.Ps AT ZIONIST RALLY

LONDON, Tuesday (INA). — Members of Parliament Walter Elliot, Conservative; James Griffiths, Labour and Clement Davies, Liberal represented their parties at an Israel Independence Day rally of the Zionist Federation here last night.

Mr. Barnett Janner, M.P., President of the Federation; Rev J.K. Goldbloom, Honorary President; and Mr. Janus Cohen, Chairman, also spoke.

PHILATELIC LINKS WITH BRITAIN

LONDON, Tuesday (INA). — Assistant Postmaster General L.D. Gammans opened an Israel stamp exhibition at the Anglo-Israel Club yesterday. Mr. Gammans pointed out two special links with Israel—postage to Israel is less than to other foreign countries and the adviser on stamp design in Israel, Abram Games, designs stamps for both countries.

S. AFRICAN DISPLAY

JOHANNESBURG, Tuesday (INA). — A dramatic presentation of South African Jewry's countribution to the independence of Israel was given at a mass rally in the City Hall here yesterday. In Pretoria, 1,000 young Jews marched through the streets in honour of Israel Independence Day.

1882 YEARS AGO

ROME, Tuesday (UP). — On the occasion of Israel Independence Day, the Israel Minister to Italy, Mr. Eliahu Sasson, visited Rome's ancient Mamertine prison where Shimon bar Giora, defender of Jerusalem against Titus and Vespasian, was executed in the year 71 C.E.

Mau Mau Council Leaders Arrested

NAIROBI, Tuesday (Reuter). — Kenya African Union officials have been held in an intensive round-up of natives said to comprise a Mau Mau central council, according to non-official sources here last night.

Twelve bodies were found in the debris of two shanty towns near here which were destroyed by police in the hunt for terrorists on Sunday. The bodies were those of Africans sentenced to death by a Mau Mau court.

About 150 members of a Kikuyu "resistance group," supported by troops, launched a drive yesterday against a Mau Mau gang which murdered a headman and his wife last week at Kiriani in the Fort Hall reserve. A Government spokesman reported last night that the "resistance group" had so far killed five terorists and captured 24.

City parks employee Geoffrey Lavers was shot through the back today and killed while checking on native workers in an African section of Nairobi.

At the same time in another section of the city a man shot and killed a native after two shots were fired at his car.

Property Owners Deprived Of Rations in E. Germany

BERLIN, Tuesday (Reuter). — The East German Government has revealed in a decree exactly which classes of the population will lose all food ration cards after May 1.

The decree lists them as "Owners, co-owners, shareholders and leaseholders of privately-owned industrial enterprises and handicraft enterprises with more than five employees, lawyers not in the state service, real estate agents, owners or leaseholders of cafes and inns, owners of apartment houses and owners of non-State farms.

The decree said that only children under 15 of these persons were excepted.

Signed by Premier Otto Grotewohl, the decree classifies the East German population into three categories—privileged persons working for the State administration and key industries, ordinary consumers and those deprived of coupons.

Two Britons Fined For Selling Lead to Russia

LONDON, Tuesday (UP). — Two importers were fined a total of £907 today for allowing 100 tons of pig lead to be exported to Russia.

The lead, valued at £20,000, was to be imported by Britain from Genoa, via Rotterdam. But at the Dutch port the lead was trans-shipped to Russia, in violation of a Government ban on shipment of strategic goods behind the Iron Curtain.

The prosecutor conceded that the importers, Metraco and Gustav Benedict, had not known where the lead was going but said that they had broken the law in not informing the Government of the transaction.

8 DEAD IN 'FRISCO PLANE CRASH

OAKLAND, California, Tuesday (UP). — Eight persons were killed when a Western Airlines DC-6B plunged into San Francisco Bay last night — only minutes after 30 other persons had got off the plane.

Two survivors were rescued by a Naval vessel.

Four bodies were recovered by searching surface craft. It was believed that the missing four were still trapped in the submerged wreckage.

TO OWNERS OF PROPERTY!

Only 11 days remain to submit a statement of property in accordance with para 42 of the Compulsory Loan Law. A 10 per cent advance payment must be attached to the statement in accordance with the law.

The statement must be submitted by all owners of property without exception, whether required to pay the Compulsory Loan or not.

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Cables in Brief

SLAVERY. — The eradication of all vestiges of slavery in the territories of member nations was recommended yesterday by the Social Committee of the U.N. Economic and Social Council. The Committee noted that "crude slavery" still existed in many parts of the world.

SUPER-FAST.—The world's fastest known bomber, the B-47 Stratojet, has flown 194 miles an hour — 120 miles an hour faster than the speed of sound. The U.S. Defence Department permitted Boeing Aircraft Company, the plane's manufacturer, to make the first disclosure of a supersonic flight by a bomber.

TORNADO. — Five persons are still missing after the weekend's tornado which swept over the Southern American states of Georgia, Alabama and Arkansas. At least 11 persons were killed and thousands left homeless and property damaged in the extent of $14m.

TREATY. — A Netherlands-Greece cultural treaty was signed yesterday in The Hague. The treaty, valid for five years, provides for scholarships exchanges, professors and members of scientific and cultural institutions.

India To Act Against Missionary Activity

NEW DELHI, Tuesday (Reuter). — Dr. Kailas Nath Katju Indian Minister for Home Affairs, told the House of the People (the lower chamber of parliament) today the Government was taking steps to stop "objectionable activities by some foreign missionaries in areas of Central India.

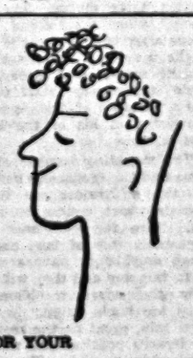
He said the Government had received reports alleging that missionaries were engaged in activities which were offensive to the non-Christian local population. There were five or six American missionaries in the areas, he added.

Dr. Katju said it had been made clear to all foreign missionaries in India that if they tried to convert people to Christianity it would be undesirable.

Imber Reburial Today

The remains of Naftali Herz Imber, the composer of "Hatikva," are scheduled to be brought to Jerusalem at 2 p.m. today to the courtyard of the National Institutions, for burial on Har Menuhot (near Givat Shaul) in a grave next to that of Peretz Smolenskin.

The funeral procession will leave from Haifa at 8.30 this morning and will stop in front of the Council Building at Zichron Ya'acov, where Imber once lived.



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NEARLY seventeen years ago, Lewis Billig, a scholar of Semitics was shot and killed while at work on an Arab manuscript in his study in the Jerusalem suburb of Talpioth. Two days ago, a young rabbi and a young woman were murdered in another suburb of Jerusalem. One of the bullets pierced the volume of the Talmud which the man was studying. In 1936 it was in the early days of the "disturbances." This time, the cold-blooded murder took place while the people were celebrating Independence Day. Then as now, and in an untold number of similar outrages, the spirit, if not the hand was the same.

DANGER SIGNALS

The deep sorrow for the victims and their families must not blind us to the fact that we are obviously not facing isolated cases of criminal trespassers, but a systematically planned and well organized campaign of murder, armed robbery, and sabotage. Whether this campaign is abetted by fifth columnists inside the country, and the extent to which it is supported by recognized forces beyond the border, are matters of speculation. But it is fair to say that even with the widest interpretation of the armistice terms doubts will be raised, both as regards the measures taken beyond the border to prevent armed aggression of this kind, and the efficacy of the organs of the United Nations charged with the supervision of the armistice arrangements. Surely the time has come for a review and revision of a system which only seems to call for more or less half-hearted and stereotyped action after murder has been done, rather than make a serious attempt to prevent it — let alone a system which, seems to entitle members of General Riley's supervisory staff to dismiss outrages of "this type" as unworthy of his or the MAC's notice.

The mounting number of victims and the increasing boldness of the infiltrators are danger-signals which cannot be ignored. "Eye for eye" may be a detestable rule of law, but our Arab neighbours have accepted it to this day and they will have only themselves to blame if they are made to pay in their own coin, great as the restraint of Israel's political and military leadership may be. The situation clearly transcends the scope of local interests; who will see to it that these incidents do not develop into a major conflict?

Radio stations in neighbouring capitals in the last few days have spoken openly of reprisals against Israel. It was as such that the Egyptian piracy against our fishing craft was described last Saturday, by a Damascus commentator quoting official Cairo opinion. But reprisals, which United Nations observers and the representatives in this area of the Great Powers never tire of abhorring and denouncing in their submissions to Israel, must reach a point where counter-measures may become inevitable. If violence is not to breed violence, and reprisal evoke reprisal, the machinery of civilisation must be used to halt these outrages from across the frontiers.

Scientific Congress In J'lem in August

The Seventh Annual International Congress for the History of Science will be held in Jerusalem this year from August 4 to 11. The Minister of Education and Culture is Chairman of the Honorary Committee for the Congress, which is sponsored by the International Academy and the International Society for the History of Science, and Prof. S. Bodenheimer, of the Hebrew University, will act as Congress President, *The POST* has been informed.

So far 180 scientists from 28 countries have announced their intention of being present, and additional notifications are still being received.

Two of the papers to be read at the opening Congress are one by Prof. G. Sarton, of Harvard, on "The History of Science as the Cornerstone of Humanism," and another by Prof. J. Needham, of Cambridge, on "East and West."

FINDING OUTLET FOR NIPPON'S SKILLS AND TRADES

Korean War Saved Japan

By PATRICK O'DONOVAN

THROUGH no choice of its own, through the compulsion of fear and hunger, Japan could again be an intolerable menace to the world. She has today a prosperous look. She is infinitely more contented than most Asian countries. Yet she talks democracy and lives on the edge of economic disaster. The whole edifice of government, of industry, of agriculture and nicely balanced social life is propped up on a sort of Bamboo scaffold which is temporary and dangerous and accidental rather than designed.

The dangers Japan faces are curiously similar to Britain's. But they are worse and she faces them with fewer resources and is apparently less aware of their existence. Put simply, she is a factory off the coast of Asia, which before the war lived by importing raw materials and exporting finished goods — usually to poor peoples and often to subject countries not in a position to refuse them. This function she finds harder to fulfil. She has lost he prewar possessions, her vast conquests in China, Manchuria, Formosa, South Sakhalin and Korea, and with them the sources of her coking coal, iron ore, raw cotton and rice. Now new rivals like India and Indonesia are directly competing for the cheap Asian markets, and are trying to supply their own peoples.

Battered by War

The war battered Japan's industries and halted development and there is little capital for new installations. She has not adjusted herself to the new marketing methods. New trade unions have pushed up wages and costs. Many of her products, like iron and steel, are among the most expensive in the world. And now the sterling area has settled artificial restrictions on trade, stopped the importation of Japanese manufactured goods into countries like Malaya, Britain, British Africa and Pakistan so that she can sell less and less of what she makes. In September last year, Japan had a huge sterling balance of £119m.; today, since she must buy without being able to sell, this balance has shrunk to something like £50m.

Today Japan's imports exceed her exports by $756m. in a year. It is a crazy lack of balance and there is little prospect of setting it right. She has a population of 85 million and it increases at the rate of at least a million a year. Something like 10,000 tons of food are imported into Japan every day. Emigration presents no solution — there is simply nowhere for emigrants to go. There seems to be nothing that Japan can do which will fundamentally change her position. She is threatened, not merely with financial crisis, but with the sort of starvation and total collapse that change a country's direction, that force it to new and desperate loyalties, that compel fundamental changes.

Stroke of Luck

Yet, in fact, Japan is prosperous. As the result of a stroke of luck. Japan is being kept alive by United States dollars and can actually boast a favourable balance of international payments. Simply as a result of the Korean war and of American installations in Asia, Japan receives some $750m. a year for goods and services supplied mainly to American forces. Of these, $26m. are paid in for Yen every month to American finance offices and spent by troops and their dependents on living in the country. But in the very nature of history, this danegeld cannot be paid forever; Japanese friendship cannot always be a salable quality, and no country can develop decently under such conditions.

An end to the Korean war would bring an end to most of the inflow of hard currency. United States officials in Tokyo estimate that, if the war ended, a third of the present expenditure would cover a garrison in Japan (if there was one) and the financing of the Korean reconstruction programme from the Japanese end. Japan seems to have no hope of development along her present lines except within the orbit of America's strategic interests. In the somewhat unlikely event of an agreement between Russia and the West, she would, overnight, be stripped of all her strategic importance and be left as poor as an Indian village.

Buying Japan

But if the Western world desires a Japan that will stay reliable without subsidies, that will grow up politically and be a responsible member of the world's councils, then somehow she must be given a new status. At present she is a bad risk the moment the flow of dollars is checked. As soon as the hunger and breakdown starts, she must gravitate inevitably to the mainland economy, to the vast Asian Communist system which, in return for her obedience, will keep her industries alive and her people eating. In addition, they will not be made to feel like mercenaries whose loyalties are for sale. If this is to be avoided, and the great potentialities of Japan, her brilliant skills, her devoted manpower, are to be denied in the long run to the Communists, then the non-Communist States must either buy Japan anew every year, or, better, find her a dignified and adequate position within their own economy.

This means the addition of a new manufacturing nation to the world economy that has emerged in the last ten years. And there is plenty of opposition to that, particularly in Britain. It means that the selective restrictions put on Japan's trade cannot be indefinitely maintained. But it means more than that. The only long-term solution is the raising of the standard of living of the millions in Asia and Africa who live below the standard of human dignity. This last is probably the most urgent of the problems that confront the comfortable nations of the West. It is the key to the survival of any sort of friendship between East and West. It is one in which Japan can help with technicians and machinery and goods.

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(This is the last of three articles on Japan. The others appeared on April 17 and 20.)

PROFILE

Man Behind Ampal

By JESSE ZEL LURIE
POST Correspondent

NEW YORK.—ABRAHAM Dickenstein, President of the American Palestine Trading Corporation (Ampal), is now in Israel on his annual visit.

His story reads like Horatio Alger fiction. He arrived here 11 years ago from Israel where he had been Assistant General Manager of the Workers' Bank. He had $1,500 borrowed from Histadrut institutions. He rented a desk from the Hehalutz at $10 a month and went to work organizing an Israel banking, purchasing and investment corporation, paying himself a wage of $45 a week.

When he flew home this time he was the president of a $28m. corporation which directly controlled subsidiaries worth another $7m. and had a share in the growth and development of practically every important industry in Israel. His office is the posh, panelled library of a converted East Side mansion. His salary, though modest in comparison to Americans in comparable positions, is slightly higher than $45 a week.

I visited him a few days before he left with the idea of asking him the secret of his fabulous success. The question was unnecessary. A few minutes of conversation made the answer self-evident. The man is a born salesman with a supreme confidence in what he has to sell — and what he is selling is Israel.

Personal Contacts

Ampal now has about 30,000 stockholders and investors and a good many of them have talked to Mr. Dickenstein either in person or on the 'phone. He doesn't advertise — he says he can't find enough good salesmen now to see all the friends and relatives of his 30,000 stockholders. He doesn't write high pressure letters or put a squad of telephone salesmen on the job of canvassing a large list of contacts. He picks out the most likely names and sells them personally. Thus, he keeps his expenses down to three per cent of sales. $130,000 on sales of more than $4m. in 1952.

One of Mr. Dickenstein's favourite stories concerns the time another Israel investment company sent out a letter over the signature of Bernard Baruch to a large list of wealthy Jews. Soon after, Mr. Dickenstein met one of the recipients of the letter who happened to be a "name-dropper." When he heard Mr. Dickenstein mention Israel investment, he interrupted: "Ah yes, my friend Barney wrote me all about it. Must be a good thing if he says so." And he proceeded to write out a cheque for a substantial amount.

Ampal is a good thing even if Mr. Baruch did not mention it. The Treasurer of the State of Israel would attest to it, if he were asked. During Ampal's fiscal year (February, 1952 to January 31, 1953) over $20m. was loaned by Ampal to the State of Israel. At the end of the fiscal year $8m. was still outstanding and during the last month this was increased to $11m.

The State is the biggest client for Ampal's banking services. Others are the Jewish Agency, Keren Hayesod, Jewish National Fund, Histadrut Fund, Mizrachi Fund, Bedek, Solel Boneh, Zim, Workers' Bank and Hamashbir. Banking transactions totalled $30m. in 1952.

Future in Investments

Ampal's investments are still smaller in numbers than its banking services, but Mr. Dickenstein feels that Ampal's future lies in investments. Most of his talk these days is devoted to oil, chemicals and minerals. Israel's basic potential. A million dollar loan to Fertilizer and Chemical will be converted into an investment next year. Over $2m. made available to Lapidot to drill for oil will be converted into stock when (not if) oil is found. Similar sums have been put at the disposal of Sefen, the Jordan Valley fibreboard company, Zim shipping and Delek, the oil marketing company.

Ampal has registered the Israel Industrial and Mineral Development Company, an open end investment trust. It is modelled on the Wall Street mutual funds which invest in many corporations. "We never try to do better than the Americans," says Mr. Dickenstein. This corporation will consolidate and greatly increase Ampal's holdings in Israel's basic industries.

Rounding out the Ampal picture is the Israel Purchasing Service, which both purchases for Israel companies and sells Israel imports here. Last year the bulk of its imports were diamonds, but a thriving business in plywood from the Kolel factory in Afikim has recently begun. Alliance tyres will also be marketed this year by Alliance stockholders, almost all of whom are tyre dealers. Joe Weingarten, the largest grocer in the largest state, (Texas), has placed an order for 100,000 cases of sardines from the Tarit cannery in Ein Gev. They will be marketed under the slogan of "A treat from the Lake of Galilee."

It was a pleasure talking to Mr. Dickenstein. He exudes confidence, but he doesn't think he knows it all and is always willing to learn. "This is the year of oil for Ampal," he says, "but if we don't find it this year, we'll continue to grow. Ampal is a way of life."

Discussion on Proportional Representation

The Case for Electoral Reform

Political institutions have their own great influence on active politics and are not merely the framework within which politicians, parties and political thinking evolve, following lines determined by their inherent natures. Engineers may map out the path the railway will take, but once set, the train's speed and efficiency — let alone its direction — are to a large extent fixed, leaving the engine driver little opportunity to exercise his wisdom and judgment. Thus if political parties in Israel are too numerous, governments unstable, citizens deprived of adequate contact with and knowledge of their representatives, and small, single-minded groups are in a position to extort great and unpopular concessions from the Government of the day, there is a good case for reviewing the constitutional set-up.

BET Hillel, a society for research into social problems in Israel, discussed electoral reform in the course of two meetings held last October, a full report of which was published recently in pamphlet form and reported in *The POST* at the time. Without exception, the speakers considered the party-electoral system in Israel either dangerous, bad, or (at best) unfortunate, and the majority were convinced that the situation could be improved by altering the electoral system.

The discussion revolved, for the most part, around two points. One was the political preponderance of Mapai-Histadrut coupled with the absence of a rival that could provide an alternative government. The other was the present system of proportional representation, which some speakers thought conducive to the multiplicity of parties and other defects, but which others thought the one safeguard the country had against the stifling of all minority groups by the political-economic combine we know or any other that might arise in its place. Talk was therefore both on the theoretical and schematic level and on that of "hard realities" and the "actual situation."

Constituency System

The theoreticians and schematists, like Dr. Avraham Weinshall and Mr. Eri Jabotinsky, not unnaturally had an easier time of it than such observers as Mrs. Gerda Luft and Mr. Aharon Cohen. Introduce a (suitably modified) constituency system, said Dr. Weinshall, and in no time small parties will be forced to discover common ground and unite, splinter groups will disappear, and Knesset members will become more conscious of the voters who send them to parliament and less of the party machine that nominates them. Parties will be more sensitive to popular opinion (for small shifts will upset their majorities — as in Britain today, for example) and, forced to look to the floating vote, the ideological differences between the parties will gradually lessen. Introduce the system evolved over decades by Anglo-Saxon liberalism and soon that liberalism will take roots here, as will the many social benefits that normally follow upon it.

Economic Structure

Not so, said Mrs. Luft. Even if the majority party does emerge (for there is none at present) it is almost too much to hope for an alternative, balancing party to rise with it. Without it the constituency system will not work. What really determines the character of politics in Israel is not so much the electoral system as the economic structure of the country.

An ever increasing number of voters are economically dependent upon the State, the local authorities, the Jewish Agency and the Histadrut, for it was through these bodies that the country's economic development was largely financed, and is still being financed. This dependence influences voting, despite the secret ballot.

"The doctor, the lawyer, the merchant, the savant, the teacher, the workman who can choose his place of work—and all these middle class and skilled workmen who are the safeguard of true democracy — all these," said Mrs Luft, "have relatively little weight when compared with the increasing number of dependents. And true democracy can only be maintained when the voter retains a minimum of economic independence.

One Party

"This is not to say that the electoral system is not in need of amendment. But if we substitute for it the majority system we will bring about the perpetuation of Mapai rule, for today there is no other party which could replace it."

Mr. Aharon Cohen, on different grounds, reached much the same conclusion. He felt that so long as a common basis was lacking between parties it was dangerous to put power in the hands of a single group. Concentration of power was a blow at the freedom of the individual. The present system might well be amended, but it represented the reality of our politics much more closely than any other. It was therefore to be preferred, despite its shortcomings.

The discussion ended with agreement on the criteria by which electoral reform should be judged: it must ensure stability of Government and the possibility of change. There was no final solution to the problems of political life here. Each reform would be, and could be, only partial. Electoral reform would be an important element in the long, curative process of which Israel's political structure and behaviour were in need. Therein lay its importance.

(This is the first of two reports on electoral reform).

Readers' Letters

TAXI CRISIS

To the Editor of The POST

Sir,— The prevailing economic situation has affected the taxi industry more perhaps than any other. During the past year we noted a considerable reduction in the number of passengers able to pay the fares, while on the other hand we witnessed the wholesale distribution of taxi licences.

Taxi fares have long ago lost their basis in reality. Drivers have forgotten that they must set aside part of their monthly earnings for amortization or for sinking fund to replace cars. The best they can do is to set apart a little money to tide them over difficult times, but it seems that they are not able to do even this.

Men in the industry are busying themselves with the question of higher fares, though somewhat hesitantly, for they really do not know which course to take. It is quite clear that the service will not be able to continue at the present rates; yet there is the fear that if fares are raised there will be even fewer passengers.

Several months after the depression set in, it became clear that most of the drivers were without savings to meet the emergency. Despite the fact that tyres are today available at official prices, we know for a fact that taxis are laid up for days because the drivers lack the means to replace tyres.

The veterans in the game have gone through trying times and just as they have been able to weather the past storms they can be expected to sit out the present one as well.

But this does not hold for the newer drivers who joined the industry because of the widespread belief that it was very lucrative. They paid high prices for their cars and got into debt. Their position is so bad that they are unable to meet their payments. There have been cases of drivers who have had to sell their cars and were not even able to liquidate the debts they incurred with the money realized from sale, to say nothing of recovering the savings that went into the investment.

This strained situation requires a revised approach by the competent authorities. It is imperative that they review at once the justification for the luxury tax, the municipal business tax and the high price of taxi licensing fees.

It would seem to be the duty of the Labour Department and the Trades Union Department of the Histadrut Executive to give this problem their earnest and constructive attention to alleviate the suffering of thousands of families.

Yours etc.,

MORDECHAI SIGALI
Secretary of the
Taxi Drivers' Association

Haifa, April 10.

INFILTRATORS

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — Some time ago the Press reported that a watchman who had killed an infiltrator was sentenced to seven and a half years' imprisonment, and now comes the report that the sentence has been set aside by the Supreme Court.

While comments on a case which is still *sub judice* are inadmissible, it is generally accepted that the *obiter dicta* of the judge which have no bearing on the case may be made the subject of comment. Thus, in the margin of the judgment, the Judge observed that the public at large seemed to have formed a dangerous opinion on infiltrators. That is to say that, in the opinion of the Judge, infiltration is less dangerous than is generally believed.

This is, I think, a startling statement. According to figures published up to the end of February, infiltrators perpetrated some 16,000 criminal acts: they committed about 200 murders, wounded 230 persons (these figures do not include Security Forces casualties), and caused material damage amounting to IL.1.2m.

The question is therefore: How many Jews must be murdered and injured, and how much damage must be caused, before public opinion on this issue becomes reasonable and ceases to be harmful?

Yours, etc.

AVRAHAM SHARON.

Jerusalem, April 4.

PLEASANT EXPERIENCE—A few days ago I arrived here on a short visit and should like to express my appreciation of the very efficient manner in which the various authorities, passport, exchange control and customs performed their tasks. In many years of foreign travel I have never been treated with more courtesy and I will not fail to acquaint my friends at home of this pleasant experience.

L. J. GOODFORD

MUSICAL DIARY

THE I.P.O. conducted by Paul Kletzki offered a conventional programme at its sixth "special" subscription concert; Brahms' "Haydn-Variations," Debussy's "L'Apres-midi d'un Faune" and Beethoven's "Eroica" Symphony. Kletzki, however, inspired the orchestra and the performance was outstanding, his interpretations were original and enlightening. He gave Brahms' "Haydn Variations" a completely new meaning by not only bringing to the fore the exciting artistry of composition but by giving each part basic poetic significance. In this interpretation the work was given a more musing and lyrical character than is usual.

In an interview before leaving Israel for Haifa, Mr. Kletzki asserted that the I.P.O.'s potentialities have not as yet been exploited to the full.

Truly constructive work, however, can only be started once the orchestra has its own concert hall. For the time being there is too much work for any conductor to find time to cultivate the necessary development of style.

"What is absolutely necessary," Mr. Kletzki stressed, "is a European tour to compare its abilities with those of other orchestras and to show an international public that its good reputation is justified. As a matter of fact your orchestra, or rather 80 individual musicians, live here in a vacuum of splendid isolation. I understand that efforts are being made to arrange a European tour for the orchestra in 1954. This would give the orchestra and Israel's musical and cultural life in general a completely new lease of vitality." Mo.

New Conductor, New Works

Erich Leinsdorf, due to arrive here this week to conduct the ninth subscription concert of the I.P.O., was born in Vienna 40 years ago. Toscanini made him his assistant when the Maestro conducted in Vienna in 1936. Leinsdorf accompained Toscanini to America and there conducted various orchestras. He is now permanent conductor of the Rochester Symphony.

He will here conduct an interesting programme including the ballet music to Prokofieff's "Romeo and Juliet."

Bernstein Bows on B'way Boom

"To judge by the hullabaloo, everybody agrees that "Wonderful Town" is the best new musical of the season," writes the "N.Y. Times" Brooks Atkinson. "Derived from "My Sister Eileen," this is the humorous antic in which Rosalind Russell gives a convulsing and ingenious performance. Although Leonard Bernstein is known best for serious music, both as composer and conductor, Broadway gratefully remembers him for the excellent ballet and song score he wrote for "On the Town" nine years ago. His score for "Wonderful Town" is a solid achievement. Matching the spirit of the book, it is a gay, unbuckramed musical saga that is both melodic and modern and relishes the insanities of (Greenwich) Village life.

Although Mr. Bernstein can write romantic and droll songs, he is also sufficiently accomplished as a musician to write in a pleasant variety of forms and he is sufficiently wuridly to satirize musical styles wittily. His ballet music is particularly gusty and dry-humoured. Count as one of the major delights of "Wonderful Town" the lively, fluent, gleaming score Mr. Bernstein has brought downtown from his studio."

Writes the N.Y. Herald Tribune's critic Walter Kerr: "Decca Records is snowed under with 150,000 advance orders for the "Wonderful Town" album — a bigger advance sale than was chalked up by the hit albums of "Oklahoma!" "Carousel" (the musical adaptation of Molnar's "Liliom"), "Guys and Dolls," or "The King and I."

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Men and Things

FINDINGS are not keepings except at school, or in rushes for uranium deposits. But for all that there is an exciting distinction about any real find even if the money value is very low, and quite apart from any question of reward. Hence the popularity of the detective story. By far the most important art finds were made some hundreds of years ago, consisting as they did of oceans and continents which had been littered about here and there ever since the creation. Christopher Columbus for example — we of the 20th century cannot hope to come up to his standard, apart perhaps from the bleak prospects of space travel.

Meanwhile there has been a recent tendency to dislodge the ancient finders by proving that they were never really entitled to take first place, being in a sense no better than queue jumpers. The Kon Tiki raft showed that history may have been damply otherwise than was believed; archaeologists burrow beneath Christopher's statue and now there is a determined effort to deprive Captain Cook of his fatherhood of Australia. Certain recent investigations suggest that the Chinese got there before him. The purge of explorers goes on. And there is a comparable move on the ideological roundabouts to take away from illustrious figures of the past their discoveries and inventions and lay these in the laps of totalitarian scientists and artists hitherto but little known. Robinson Crusoe wondered at the naked footprint in the sand, and would have given anything, even his goat, to know who had made it. We to-day ask ourselves whether by carefully digging out the print an even earlier one can be found underneath. *W.L.R.*

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